

**City of Minnetonka Beach
Park Commission Meeting Minutes
Monday September 4, 2012**

Members Present: Chair Patty Rezabek, Commissioners; Jody Sperduto and Rick Manning
Absent: Commissioners Amy Johnson and Robert Ball
Staff Present: Council Liaison Linn Ferguson and Diane Tiegs-Roussell, City Clerk

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION PLAN/ PARTY RESPONSIBLE
Call to Order	Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chair Rezabek.	
Approve Agenda	Add under Maintenance committee Report & Recommendations: grass and sod along parkways.	Motion made by Commissioner Sperduto and seconded Commissioner Manning to accept the amended agenda. Motion carried.
Approve Minutes of June 4, 2012	Approval of June 4, 2012 meeting minutes. *change of liability to obligations under grant section.	Motion made by Commissioner Sperduto and seconded by Commissioner Manning to approve the amended June 4, 2012, meeting minutes. Motion carried.
Action Items	Gifting must be Council approved. Parks must bring forth a recommendation and present to Council.	Park Commission will discuss at the October 4 th meeting. (Commissioner Johnson to lead review.)
Maintenance Committee Report & Recommendations Update Dakota trail bank safety and erosion issues.	Council Member Ferguson attended the LMCD meeting and relayed that grant money is available for any project that would prevent lake run-off. The Three Rivers Park District and Hennepin County Rail Authority will plant sumac trees on the Arcola embankment. Parks Commission could submit a proposal to the LMCD to consider upgrades to the Arcola embankment and dock area. Council Member Ferguson spoke about speed bumps for the trail that could be a potential solution for the speed issues of the bicyclists. A crossing on CSAH 15 is being discussed	Ask City Administrator Griffin for contact information to apply for funding and forward to Commissioners for discussion and recommendation at October meeting. Get information from staff as to whom to contact and forward to all of the Commissioners via email.

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Garlic Mustard and Buckthorn update.	<p>within the community due to safety issues. A safe crossing in the community should be given serious consideration. Another lake run off is CSAH 15 road pollutants that could be addressed by the LMCD.</p> <p>Chair Rezabek contacted HCRA last May; HCRA committed to managing the garlic mustard along the trail.</p> <p>No confirmation whether it was completed. Follow up in spring. Prairie Restorations have cut back some buckthorn in Ray Peters Park that was trimmed last winter. It will be sprayed in November.</p>	
Milfoil and Lake Weed removal update.	<p>Lots of lake weeds. There was only a short time when the beach was closed so it was very busy. He will check the lake area but considers Labor Day the end of the weed clean-up.</p>	Kelly Jackson
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kelly Jackson 	<p>Extended contract to combat the milfoil for the season. The low lake level and warmer weather contributed to the problem. The additional pulling should decrease work for next spring.</p>	Chair Rezabek
Tom Huston tree removal update	<p>Chair Rezabek reported that she and Tom Houston drove all roadways to assess trees in the city on August 30 and identified \$2,550 worth of removal of dead trees or broken limbs trees which will be completed by the end of September. Invoice for completed work requested by the end of September. Commissioner Sperduto reported on how cost effective and the excellent job that Tom</p>	Chair Rezabek

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<p>a. Manuel Jordan forester update- Chair Rezabek</p> <p>b. Grass/Sod</p>	<p>Huston does.</p> <p>Chair Rezabek stated that Manuel Jordan hasn't responded to the re-forestation request. Janet Larson, City of Minnetonka Forester, will continue to consult on reforestation at Ray Peters.</p> <p>Grass/sod along parkways regarding construction landscaping from the construction project. Does not look very good and needs attention and/or replacement.</p>	<p>Contractor of water main project.</p> <p>Staff to contact water main contractor.</p>
Library Update	None	
Commissioner & Other	None	
<p>New Business</p> <p>2013 Budget</p> <p>New Commissioner</p> <p>David Boschwitz Eagle Scout project</p>	<p>Proposed 2013 discussed. Kevin Decker updated the spreadsheet format for Council.</p> <p>Chair Rezabek has someone to recommend and will report back to the Commission.</p> <p>David Boschwitz is in the process of earning the Eagle Scout award. He must do a city project that will have a lasting impact and be remembered. He asked for input on possible projects from the Park Commission. Chair Rezabek shared that the commission had discussed the possibility of purchasing/or building a trail groomer which could be a possible project. There is a possible grant opportunity for hockey board replacement at Ray Peters Park in which he could assist with the grant process. Another option could be a survey on the demographics of age ranges of children and adults and what</p>	<p>Staff will forward to Council.</p> <p>Chair Rezabek</p> <p>David Boschwitz</p>

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<p>Arcola Boat Landing Lighting</p>	<p>regarding the amount of direct sunlight the flag pole receives for possible purchase and installation.</p> <p>There is an issue of a non-enforced curfew and is it a good area for lighting. If the curfew is posted perhaps that would curtail under age party activity per Commissioner Sperduto. Communication with Hennepin County/Orono Police to determine a plan of action. Council Member Ferguson stated if police are requested to periodically check the area they will. Commissioner Manning agrees that lighting would help deter unwanted activities at the Arcola boat landing. Council Member Ferguson feels it would discourage it as a party area. Chair Rezabek asked who will be the users of the area because she feels not a huge group of people would use it as a park area. The park at the beach commons is underused, so she questions spending money at Arcola where the usage would not be very high. Council Member Sperduto felt with the budget cuts and trying to maintain what we currently have there is not enough funding to maintain another area. If this area could be funded by LMCD money then it would be worth improving. As a previous dock user, Commissioner Manning doesn't see it being heavily used. Chair Rezabek stated there is a need to evaluate parks and keep kids active and also be thoughtful and good stewards of the funding we have to work. Commissioner Manning stated there was a lot of shoreline lost</p>	

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	when the lake was high so funding to prevent erosion would be a good use of the available funds. Explore the LMCD grant funding for the Arcola boat landing for safety and run off issues along with possible partnering with the HCRA and TRPD.	Staff: Get information from staff as to whom to contact and forward to all of the Commissioners via email.
Calendar Dates		Next Meeting October 1, 2012
Adjournment		Motion made by Commissioner Sperduto and seconded by Commissioner Manning to adjourn the meeting, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:40p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Tiegs-Roussell, City Clerk