

Approved Minutes

Mt. Pleasant Parks and Recreation Commission
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 28, 2017
7:00 p.m., City Hall

I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

II. **CALL TO ORDER** – 7:02 p.m.

III. **ATTENDANCE AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**

A. Commission Members: Fisher, Little, Nagler, Stressman, Winslow

B. Parks and Recreation Staff: Bundy, Longoria, Way

C. Public Attendance: None

IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES & COMMISSION BUSINESS**

A. Changes/Approval of Agenda – motion by Stressman, second by Nagler to approve the agenda as presented. **MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

B. Approval of Minutes – motion made by Winslow, second by Stressman to approve the minutes of January 24, 2017. **MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

V. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** - None

VI. **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

A. Parks – Director Bundy reported on the following:

- Staff working with committees regarding Timber Town 2.0 build May 17-21. Recreation Intern working on recruiting business volunteer teams with United Way and solidifying volunteer food donations.
- With the warmer weather there were LOTS of folks enjoying the parks. Staff working on lighting retrofits for restrooms.
- Street Dept. assisting with grading park roads including Mission Creek parking lot.
- Applications being accepted for seasonal positions including parks and park rangers. Parks has 18 returning employees.
- Indian Pines – staff making regular checks of the area with no problems or complaints noted.
- Discussed ball field agreements that were approved by City Comm. without fees.
- Amphitheater – a 2% request was submitted for this project along with a State Passport Grant. Crowdfunding later this year. Rowe has agreed to potentially donate 1/3 of their time developing architectural plan.

B. Recreation – Director Longoria reported on the following:

- Farmers' Market advisory board met in February. The new patio area was well received this past season. Recreation Intern Alexis will be taking over as Farmers' Market assistant.
- Registrations ongoing for spring soccer and tee-ball.
- MASA Tournament currently at 90 teams (June 29-July 2)
- PEAK Summer Camp to be held June 26-Aug. 4 with two confirmed sites (Ganiard & Vowles).
- Spring Tribal 2% request submitted for the PEAK program.
- Met with Erik Rodriguez regarding collaborative programming with the PEAK program and Tribal Nijikewehn program. Also looking towards teaming up with Tribal Summer Camp for Community Services Day.
- Winter Kids Expo (partnership with My 104.3 & Isabella Citizens for Health) was held on Feb. 11.
- Planning ongoing for Great Egg Scramble & Teen Egg Hunt on 4/8-9.

VII. **OLD AND NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Jane Harris Girl Scout Cabin Agreement Renewal – After discussion, Commission was in consensus to move forward, full support sending agreement to City Commission for approval.
- B. Mt. Pleasant Lions Club Storage Building Agreement Renewal – After discussion, Commission was in consensus to move forward, full support sending agreement to City Commission for approval.
- C. Timber Town 2.0 Final Project Elements – Motion by Fisher, second by Stressman, and with input and support from the Playscape Committee, to recommend installing the highest design option which was proposed during the design phase. Additionally, Commission recommends installing the following items as funds allow which include:
 1. Saving the original lodge structure and up to three of the covered seating areas and updating and integrating them into the project design. The lodge update will reflect Anishinaabe culture in a natural flow with the rest of the surrounding play components.
 2. Enhanced signage recognizing the history of the original project.
 3. Creation of additional universal access elements within the existing project footprint including:
 - a. Accessible poured in place rubberized walkway
 - b. Accessible poured in place rubberized patio area
 - c. Rock-N-Raft wheelchair accessible play feature
 - d. Permanent Story-Walk integrated into the existing design and footprint (to be completed at a future date in cooperation with partners)

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

VIII. **OTHER BUSINESS/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

IX. **ADJOURNMENT** – 8:20 p.m.