



## PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

### Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2020

#### Webex



#### I. Call Meeting to Order

President Crosby called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

#### II. Roll Call

Present: Amanda Crosby, Tjaard Breeuwer, David Demmer, Jill Joyce, Jenny Peterson, Britt Rohrbaugh, Noah Kramer, Barb Darland, and City Council Liaison – Arik Forsman.

Not Present: David Kirby (ISD 709 School Board Liaison), and Frank Jewell (St. Louis County Board Liaison).

#### III. Approval of May 13 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Rohrbaugh motioned for approval of the May 13 meeting minutes; second by Commissioner Darland. Unanimously approved.

#### IV. Presentations

##### A. Parks 2020 Construction Projects Overview (Informational) Lisa Luokkala, Senior Planner

##### B. Programming Update, Sports and Leagues (Informational) Alicia Watts, Assistant Manager

##### C. COVID-19 Parks and Recreation Updates (Informational) Jess Peterson, Manager

Rohrbaugh shared she has received many comments on people liking the Skyline Closure below Hawks Ridge. Indicated cars move too fast for pedestrian use when the road is open to cars.

Jenny Peterson shared Park Point is used to being the City's playground. Shared many Park Point residents are busy collecting trash from park users. Shared park users are not using the porta potties because they are too far away from the beach, requested the porta potties to be moved closer. Indicated there is need for the Park Rangers to come back and provide education on the beach. Jessica Peterson indicated the City is currently facing a hiring freeze, where we are unable to onboard staff.

Demmer questioned if there is a timeline for the closure at Lester Park Golf Course. Jessica Peterson indicated there is not a timeline defined, and the focus of the closure is to protect the assets on the golf course.

Jenny Peterson shared the importance of having the Public Golf Committee meet.

Demmer agreed with Jenny Peterson and requested the group meet for a social distance tour of both public golf courses.

Jenny Peterson questioned if there will be more outreach/education on the Pack It In – Pack It Out initiative. Jessica Peterson indicated there is not a current plan at this time, but a plan will be developed. Shared that talking with park users, and providing education can be impactful as well.

Breeuwer shared he has seen many tree concern comments on social media, requested a quick response to finalize a maintenance agreement with COGGS to help with the removal of trees on the trails. Jessica Peterson indicated that overhanging trees are a safety concern, and should be reported to the City Forester for action.

#### V. Commissioner Committees

Administrative (E-Board) -meeting date: Thursday, June 25 at noon via Webex



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Amanda Crosby, Tjaard Breeuwer [Jess Peterson, Alicia Watts, Jessica Schoonover, Jim Filby Williams]

Public Golf Committee –cancelled until further notice. David Demmer, Jenny Peterson, Noah Kramer [Jess Peterson, Jessica Schoonover, Jim Filby Williams]

**VI. Commissioner & Liaison Reports**

**VII. New Business**

**VIII. Old Business**

**XIII. Division Report**

**Public Comment**

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

**XIV. Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be Wednesday, July 8 via Webex