



**CITY OF ARDEN HILLS
PARKS, TRAILS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2019, 6:30 PM
ARDEN HILLS CITY HALL**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Rich Straumann called the March 19, 2019 meeting of the Parks, Trails, and Recreation Committee to order at 6:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Rich Straumann, Committee Members John Van Valkenburg and Paul Beggin

OTHERS PRESENT: Interim Public Works Director/City Engineer Sue Polka, Staff Liaison Sara Knoll, Dan Dietz

ABSENT: Nancy O'Malley, Harold Petersen, Terry Finlay and City Council Liaison David Grant

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: The agenda was unanimously approved by the Committee.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. January 15, 2019 PTRC Minutes

MOTION: The minutes were unanimously approved by the Committee.

3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2019 PTRC Meeting Dates

Discussion centered on ideas for a park and trail tour.

B. Hazelnut Park Improvements

Interim Public Works Director/City Engineer Sue Polka said the City would work with the church to acquire the parking lot and rebuild it, and get a trail to the new warming house location. A future trail will go along New Brighton Road and connect to the existing trail on the west side of

the hockey rink and ultimately a trail will be built on the west side of the parking lot to the south side of the park. A rain garden is being proposed in the center of the parking lot.

Staff Liaison Sara Knoll noted there are now two soccer fields at the park.

Staff Liaison Knoll said parking lot Concept A would be a better for dropping off children at the park.

Interim Public Works Director/City Engineer Polka mentioned the picnic shelter will be getting a new roof.

C. Cummings Park Improvements

Interim Public Works Director/City Engineer Polka said they've been working with WSB on a new layout. The wooden boundary will be removed and replaced with a flat ribbon curb and sidewalk entrance from the existing trail. The old equipment will be removed and refurbished at no cost to the city by Bauer Brothers. Proposals for the playground equipment were received, WSB recommended the Little Tykes submission.

Staff Liaison Knoll said that equipment has options for both 2-5 year olds and 6-12 year olds as there are two different age groups in the Playground Program.

PTRC Members reviewed the proposals provided and also recommended the Little Tykes Option.

Interim Public Works Director/City Engineer Polka will follow up with Boston Scientific regarding the basketball court contribution and a potential volleyball court.

D. 2018 Completed Projects

Chair Rich Straumann noted the Snelling Avenue trail is open.

Interim Public Works Director/City Engineer Polka said Xcel will be providing money to replace the garden at Lindey's park.

Committee Member John Van Valkenburg noted the County Road F trail is finished.

Chair Rich Straumann said Johanna Marsh was completed.

Staff Liaison Knoll said the Perry Park dog park is very well used, and she felt they should work on improving that dog park.

Discussion ensued regarding the future roundabout at Lindey's corner and the Moundview High School project.

E. 2019 PTRC Goals

Interim Public Works Director/City Engineer Polka said there will be hard court reconstruction of the tennis/basketball court at Hazelnut Park and at Royal Hills Park.

Chair Rich Straumann it will be a year to concentrate on the parks.

5. REPORTS

Staff Liaison Knoll noted the Spring/Summer Recreation Guide went to residents. She will provide class participation numbers from winter at the next meeting. The Ramsey County Library reached out to the Parks and Recreation Department to plan some Pop-Up Library Events at Arden Hills Parks this summer.

6. NEXT MEETING

The next PTRC Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 16, 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.