

PARK BOARD
Minutes
April 11, 2022

The meeting of the Maple Lake Park Board was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Deb Geyen in the city hall in the City of Maple Lake.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ballweber, Tufte, and Korpela Jr,

ABSENT: Fobbe

OTHERS PRESENT: Renee Eckerly, City Administrator, Al Hudek, Public Works Director

Approval of Minutes

A motion was (m/s/p), Ballweber/Geyen to approve the minutes from February 10, 2020.

New Business

a. Election of Officers

A motion was (m/s/p), Geyen/Ballweber to elect Bill Korpela Jr, Chairperson and Tonya Tufte, Vice Chairperson.

b. Meeting Schedule

Board discussed multiple options for meeting schedule and frequency. Tabled until full Board is present.

c. 2022 Funding

Board reviewed the 2022 Budget and Capital Improvement whether there were any plans in place for the CIP funds. Eckerly estimated there is approximately \$83,000 in CIP funds plus the \$25,000 the Lions donated in 2021. Hudek reported on items that need repair such as two sections of the trail need resurfacing, which are Danielson Court going west to Spruce Avenue and Danielson Court to the curve is bad. Then from Spruce Avenue to Cedar Ave is very bad. Board discussed the condition of the trail on County Road 8 to Robert Ney Memorial Park Reserve which hasn't been touched for 14 years. Hudek will get quotes for repair to trail segments for the next meeting.

d. Review Chapter 11 Ordinance Regulating Parks

Board reviewed the Ordinance and would like to recommend a change to Qualifications for Membership to reflect one member of the Board to be from the school.

A motion was (m/s/p), Tufte/Ballweber to recommend to City Council to change the Ordinance to reflect one of the five members being a school representative.

e. Review Parks & Trails Plan (original 2005/update 2017)

Board reviewed the plan and discussed updating it. They also discussed whether the city has adopted the Plan. It may have been adopted with the Comprehensive Plan. Eckerly will research and report back to the Board.

f. Discuss Park Improvement Ideas

Ballweber reported that the Lions had discussed adding a kitchen area at Community Park and purchasing a boat for the beach to put the buoys in/out. Hudek reported that the basketball court at Community Park need repair bad. Hudek commented that the item that is more important than anything else is that there is no park in the Happy Knoll plat area. There was supposed to be a park on the last two lots at the end of Lincoln St NW but the Developer sold the lots to the neighboring lot owned by Bradley and Dianna Erickson. The closes park to this area is Jude Park. Eckerly will pull the Development Agreement and plat of Happy Knoll and report back if there is any action that the city can take now to remedy the situation.