

**PEQUOT LAKES PARK COMMISSION
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2014
TRAILSIDE PARK**

Members Present: Chair Malecha, Commissioners Ettesvold, Gibbons, Nagel, Bruch, and Ronning

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Sandy Peine, City Clerk; and Mike Loven, Public Works Supervisor; Council Member Gardner was present via telephone

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Malecha called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

2. Consider Agenda

COMMISSIONER NAGEL MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED. COMMISSIONER RONNING SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

3. 8/14/2014 Park Commission Minutes

COMMISSIONER GIBBONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE 8/14/2014 PARK COMMISSION MINUTES. COMMISSIONER ETTESVOLD SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

4. Playground/Splash Park

A. Playground Design – Review and Approve

The Commission reviewed the playground design for Trailside Park. The cost of the playground has been donated by the Nancy and Tom Adams family and will be installed at Trailside Park in the spring of 2015.

COMMISSIONER ETTESVOLD MOVED TO RECOMMEND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE DESIGN OF THE PLAYGROUND. COMMISSIONER NAGEL SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

B. Fencing Style and Costs

The Commissioners discussed the type of fencing to be used as a buffer between the playground and Highway 371. Mike Loven suggested some type of cyclone fencing. It was the consensus of the Commission to make the decision on the fencing after the playground is constructed.

C. Splash Park Grant Information Update

Chair Malecha stated that the splash park will not be eligible for the legacy grant funds through the DNR. She informed the Commission that she is looking into a moveable splash park that was done in Brooklyn Park at a cost of \$10,000. She stated that she would continue to research the idea of a splash park.

5. Trailside Park Plan

The Commission members indicated that they did not feel comfortable making a recommendation to the City Council on the Trailside Park Plan. The Commissioners indicated that they would review the plan prior to the October Park Commission Meeting and would come prepared to discuss it at the meeting. It was suggested that Justin Burslie be invited to the October 9th meeting to discuss the Trailside Park Plan with the Commissioners.

6. Park Signs

The Commissioners reviewed the wording of the signs for the Dog Park, Dru Sjodin Garden and the Trailside Park Playground. It was the consensus of the Commission to recommend that the Council approve the signs.

The Commission suggested a bronze style of sign. Mike Loven stated he would research sign styles and costs and present them to the Commission at the October meeting.

7. Dog Park

The Commissioners discussed the amenities that could be added to the dog park when it is near completion. Cathy Malecha suggested putting dog silhouettes on the fence to identify the area. The Commission suggested adding park benches and trees. The Commission suggested contacting Sheridan Wilson and invite her to a Park Commission meeting to discuss amenities for the dog park. It was the consensus of the Commissioners that the amenities probably would not be added until the spring of 2015.

8. Mayo Lake Park Open House

The Commission discussed the final details of the open house on September 21st.

9. Other Business

COMMISSIONER BRUCH MOVED TO RECOMMEND THAT BILLIE JEAN CAQUETTE BE APPOINTED TO THE PARK COMMISSION. COMMISSIONER NAGEL SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, COMMISSIONER GIBBONS MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. COMMISSIONER RONNING SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandra A. Peine
City Clerk