

Park Commission Meeting Minutes 4/24/23

Members Present: Commissioners Adams, Clement, Churack, Lind

Guests Present: Keith Simar

Members Absent: Kennedy, Boucher

1: Call Meeting to Order

Commissioner Adams called the meeting to order at 5pm.

2: Consider Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda made by Churack, second by Clement. Motion passed 4-0

3: Park Commission Minutes

Commissioner Churack moved to approve the March 27, 2023 Minutes as presented, Commissioner Clement seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

4: Emerald Ash Borer Presentation- Keith Simar

Keith Simar came in to speak about the Emerald Ash Borer. While not prevalent in our area yet, he suggested maybe replacing one Ash tree per year to avoid it getting here and wiping them all out at once. Motion by Adams, seconded by Clement to do replace one tree per year. Motion carried 4-0.

6: Park Summary Reports:

Mayo Park Preserve: Tree down over the sign, no brochures, trees blocking paths

Gildner Park: Some Trees down

Trailside Park: All good

7: Dog Park

Commissioner Adams talked about the \$250,000 quote she got for synthetic grass. Discussion about area won't improve naturally without water and possible rotation of where dogs can go. Can we do something about area around benches? Folks who use it like the park. Commissioner Adams will check with Babinski to see if they want to help in any way.

8: Mayo Park Preserve Forestry Plan

Commissioner Churack reported that her husband Pat will do a walk through (he is retired forester). Discussions on if select harvesting is healthy for the preserve and could possibly bring revenue? More evaluation of options needed.

9: Digital Sign

Discussion on if a digital sign is wanted in Trailside Park. Looking to get quotes and go from there

10: Other Business:

Commissioner Churack stated HS students will update Art in the Park panels soon

11: Adjournment: Motion by Lind, second by Churack to adjourn at 5:43. Motion carried 4-0