

APPROVED MINUTES
WYOMING PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
OCTOBER 7, 2024
7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chair Bergan called the Regular Meeting of the Wyoming Park Advisory Commission for October 7, 2024 to order at 7:00PM

CALL OF ROLL:

On a Call of the Roll the following members of the Wyoming Park Advisory Commission were present: Members Jessica Bergan, Bruce Vukelich, and Dawn Dunn.

Absent: Member Bruce Spangler

Also Present: Brett Ohnstad, Council Liaison and Grant MacFarlane, Assistant City Administrator

Visitors:

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

Vice Chair Bergan determined a Quorum was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

OPEN FORUM:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- 1. Consider approving the minutes of the “Regular Meeting” of the Wyoming Park Advisory Commission for August 5, 2024**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MEMBER BERGAN, SECONDED BY MEMBER VUKELICH, TO APPROVE THE PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES FROM THE AUGUST 5, 2024 MEETING.

Voting Aye: Bergan, Vukelich, and Dunn

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- 2. Dog Park Naming Contest**

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane provided an overview of the dog park naming process, shared resident naming submissions, and reviewed the results of the community poll. Assistant Administrator MacFarlane informed the Park Advisory Commissioners that they would be asked to make a recommendation on the park name to the City Council.

The Park Advisory Commissioners reviewed the poll results and stated that they were in favor of supporting the name “Barks and Recreation (Rec)” for the dog park.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MEMBER BERGAN, SECONDED BY MEMBER VUKELICH, TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE NAME “BARKS AND RECREATION” FOR THE NEW DOG PARK TO THE WYOMING CITY COUNCIL.

Voting Aye: Bergan, Vukelich, and Dunn

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

3. Potential Park Project – Fireside Park

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane stated that improvements to Fireside Park had been a focus for the Park Advisory Commission for a long time. Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane stated that a memo had been put together which outlined three options for the Commissioners to consider.

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane provided an overview of three options for the Commissioners to consider, including purchasing new park equipment through a GameTime grant, requesting project bids from playground manufacturers, and focusing on a different park project.

The Commissioners reviewed five potential playsystems which would be eligible through the GameTime grant. Commissioners discussed existing park equipment and potential ADA requirements of new pieces. Commissioner Bergan stated that they believe that the City should move forward with the project. Commissioner Vukelich and Dunn agreed.

The Commissioners selected Umbra Canopy Cove as the playground to apply for using the GameTime grant. Council Liaison Ohnstad added that he was happy to see the PAC moving forward with the project and agreed with the playsystem choice.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MEMBER BERGAN, SECONDED BY MEMBER VUKELICH, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE WYOMING CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO APPLY FOR THE GAMETIME GRANT TO PURCHASE THE UMBRA CANOPY CAVE PLAY SYSTEM FOR FIRESIDE PARK.

Voting Aye: Bergan, Vukelich, and Dunn

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

4. Request to Change Park Advisory Commission November Meeting Date

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane stated that the November PAC meeting was currently scheduled for Monday, November 4, 2024. Assistant Administrator MacFarlane added that November 5th is the day of the General Election and that November 6th was a City Council meeting day. Assistant Administrator MacFarlane requested that the PAC meeting be moved to a later date.

The Park Advisory Commissioners stated that Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 7:00pm would work for the November meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS:

5. Ashton Park Scout Project

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane informed the Park Advisory Commissioners that the Ashton Little Library project had been approved by Council and that it would be installed before the end of the month.

6. Railroad Park Phase 2 – Update

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane stated that construction on the second phase of the project was nearly complete. He added that the only remaining item was the installation of electrical poles, which the contractor was waiting to be delivered.

7. Park Steward Assignments - Update

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane explained park steward assignments to new Park Advisory Commissioner Dunn. Assistant Administrator MacFarlane stated that Commissioner Dunn would be assigned the parks that were previously assigned to former Commissioner Ahartz.

8. Park Steward Updates

Vukelich – Ashton Park looks good. Inquired about chains on tables at Lions Park and the weeds in the ballfield dirt.

Bergan – Parks looked good. Believes Fireside will be improved with the new equipment.

ADJOURN

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MEMBER VUKELICH, SECONDED BY MEMBER DUNN, TO ADJOURN THE OCTOBER 7, 2024 MEETING OF THE WYOMING PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION AT 7:50PM

Voting Aye: Bergan, Vukelich, and Dunn

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

**NEXT MEETING:
NOVEMBER 12, 2024
7:00PM**