

APPROVED MINUTES
WYOMING PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
MAY 1, 2023
7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Spangler called the Regular Meeting of the Wyoming Park Advisory Commission for May 1, 2023 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 Bruce Spangler, Bruce Vukelich, Jessica Bergan, Heather Vandenheuvel and Rick Ahartz*

Absent: None

Also Present: Alex Saxe- Assistant City Administrator and Brett Ohnstad- Council Liaison

Visitors: None

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

Chair Spangler determined a Quorum was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPEN FORUM: NONE

CONSENT AGENDA: NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Consider approving the minutes of the “Regular Meeting” of the Wyoming Park Advisory Commission for March 6, 2023

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MEMBER BERGAN, SECONDED BY MEMBER VANDENHEUVEL, TO APPROVE THE PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 6, 2023 MEETING, AS SUBMITTED.

Voting Aye: Spangler, Vukelich , Bergan, Vandenheuvel, and Ahartz

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

2. Review 1st Quarter Financials

Assistant City Administrator Saxe provided an update on the 1st quarter park financials.

Member Vandenheuvel asked if the gambling proceeds are specifically for parks.

Assistant City Administrator Saxe stated they have specific uses and reporting requirements, but they

could be used toward the Veteran's Memorial.

Member Ahartz asked if there was enough money to add a plaque listing out all the wars America has been in at Railroad Park.

Assistant City Administrator Saxe stated there is not and that was not in the scope of the project. The city could explore that in the future if they chose to do so.

Member Vandenheuvel asked if all the revenue in the Park fund is for Railroad Park.

Assistant City Administrator Saxe stated that over 90% is for Railroad Park and the rest is for use for parks mainly what is levied annually and park dedication fees collected.

3. To review construction bid quotes for the Veteran's Memorial at Railroad Park

Assistant City Administrator Saxe provided an update that the city only received one bid and according to the city's purchasing policy three need to be obtained. WSB is going to work on obtaining more quotes and they have two companies that may be interested. Staff will bring this item back at a future meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS:

4. Arbor Day Tree Planting

Assistant City Administrator Saxe provided an update that the Arbor Day Tree Planting event will be held on Saturday, May 6th from 10am-12pm at Centennial park. The City will be planting three trees with the help of the Girl Scouts who purchased two trees. He encouraged PAC members to attend.

5. GreenStep City Achieved Step 3

Assistant City Administrator Saxe stated that as part of the Goals for the PAC was to achieve Step 3 in the GreenStep Program. The city did achieve that step and have made significant steps to be a more sustainable organization.

Assistant City Administrator Saxe let the PAC know that he will provide more info for Fireside Park at a future meeting. He also let them know at the next meeting a boy scout will be attending to present on his Eagle Scout Project Plan. He stated Public Works replaced the broken slide in Goodview Park last week.

6. Park Steward Updates

Chair Spangler Stated Fireside is greening up nice and no issues. Railroad Park is all cleaned up from the Christmas Lights. Would like to see a new flag at Centennial Park before the tree planting and he will donate one to the city.

Member Bergan Did not have any updates.

Member Vandenheuvel sent Mr. Saxe some photos of some repairs need at Lion's Park that he will forward to Public Works. Blue Spruce Park looks good.

Member Ahartz stated Vergas Park has a wooden bench that needs to be replaced.

Member Vukelich Went to the wrong Vergas park, but stated a parking spot needs some repair, it has a huge chunk missing. Banta park is looking good. He stated at Swenson Park there is a basketball net that is broken and a big gouge of grass that was taken out most likely by a plow as well as a rose bush that is all bent.

Council Liaison Ohnstad asked if there was an update on the dog waste stations.

Assistant City Administrator Saxe stated they were purchased last fall, but they have not been placed in the parks yet.

ADJOURN

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MEMBER VUKELICH, SECONDED BY MEMBER BERGAN, TO ADJOURN THE MAY 1, 2023 MEETING OF THE WYOMING, PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION AT 7:32 PM

Voting Aye: Spangler, Vukelich, Bergan, Vandenheuvel, and Ahartz

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

NEXT MEETING:
June 5, 2023
7:00PM