

Parks & Trails Board
December 16, 2013
Wayzata City Hall
Rice Street East

I. Call to order / Roll call

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Baasen at 5:00 PM.

Present: Dan Baasen, Merrily Borg Babcock, Joanie Cunningham, Sarah Randolph, Dick Himes (5:50), and Dave Dudinsky – staff liason.

Approval of Nov. 20th meeting minutes accepted by motion to approve as corrected by Sarah Randolph with 2nd by Joanie Cunningham. Vote was 4-0.

II. Approval of Agenda

Baasen reviewed purpose of meeting to review priorities and prepare to present to city council at workshop on December 17th at 6:00 pm. All Board members are encouraged to attend, however, we will have one presenter and additional comments forwarded through Chair Baasen. Moved by Sarah Randolph and seconded by Merrily Babcock to approve. Vote was 4-0 to approve.

III. Preparation for 12/17 Workshop

Dave Dudinsky presented a summary of all recommendations with cost estimates. He explained process of CIP allocation and assignment. Lakefront fund comes from boat slip rentals at the marina and the general fund. Park & Trails fund is funded from park dedication fees and can be enhanced from the general fund.

We summarized and agreed on 13 (thirteen) priorities to be presented to Council and further discussed cost estimates and clarified intent as to what each priority entailed. Please refer to summary attachment A. Baasen clarified for Board that we would be answering questions from City Council.

Dick Himes repeated his concert that park item outdoor exercise equipment be centralized at one location, and adult playground. Baasen again stated that

ultimately the intent was to distribute equipment throughout the Park & Trail system but was ok with starting with one location.

While discussing Beach H-Dock, Dudinsky expressed concern about lifeguard requirements should we add the H-Dock. Baasen emphasized the purpose of the H-Dock was safety.

Beach Bathhouse Concession stand proposal was discussed with alternative to McCormick proposal having the city doing the upgrades giving the city more flexibility.

Dick Himes added suggestion that CIP presentation to council should reflect project location, justification, who benefits, as well as estimated cost. It was agreed that was appropriate.

Everyone was comfortable with Priority Presentation after clarification.

There was a discussion after Chair Baasen presented a review of 2013 P&T Board actions and initiatives. Baasen stated that after some early disfunctionality that the Board has a successful year and accomplished several goals. He indicated that the Board was well positioned for 2014 and will see more clearly what real progress was made toward improving Wayzata's parks and trails.

Dick Himes announced his intent to leave the Board prior to fulfilling his term. He indicated "personal reasons" and a projected travel schedule that would limit his participation. Baasen thanked Dick for everything he had brought to the Board throughout 2013 and for his wise counsel on improving functionality of P&T Board.

Meeting times were discussed and tabled to January for resolution.

Motion to adjourn at 6:55 pm.