

**PARKS and TRAIL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**January 31, 2013**

Present: Dan Baasen, Merrily Borg Babcock, Joanie Cunningham, Dick Himes and Sarah Randolph and PW Staff Dave Dudinsky

Minutes of 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of Jan. 7 were approved by Babcock, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Himes.

Short discussion on the "Great Lawn" venue.

Discussion about meeting times. It was decided that the next meeting would be Feb. 28 or the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday for the next couple of months. The question was asked if this was a public meeting and Dave answered that yes it was. Was it being recorded-No. Should it be recorded? Still unanswered.

Nominations for Chair and Vice Chair came to the floor. Dan Baasen was nominated to be Chair and it was unanimously approved, Vice Chair Merrily Borg Babcock, majority approved. Minutes will be recorded mbr. to mbr.

Before reviewing Mission Statement each person was asked by Chair Baasen to talk about why they applied for the P&T Board. After a short biography...

Dick, a 29 year resident in the Far Hill neighborhood is interest in connecting trails for bikers and also has an interest in the Nature Center

Joanie, a 2 year resident lives on Huntington Ave. in Old Holdridge and has a passion for improving trail connections as she sees conflict with traffic and bikes.

Sarah grew up in Wayzata, moved away came back 9 years ago, lives north of Wayzata Blvd. and has an interest in creating a dog park and talked a bit about new lines on the tennis courts for Pickle Ball. Dave mentioned that this was under discussion. Demonstrations could take place once this is accomplished.

Dan, grew up in Wayzata, moved away and came back 6 years ago, represents Wayzata on the LMCD, works with MCWD and sits on the board of the Carpenter Hastings Nature Center in Stillwater. General interest in all parks.

Merrily talked about making parks more active for seniors and young families, connecting walking trails and better promotion of parks, location maps, amenities and listing all on the city web site -PARKS to have tab on Home page.

Railroad Section Foreman's house, Bell Courts Park problems, CIP funding, budget period and allocation of funds, exercise equipment available in parks, (fitness parks), special event permitting were all discussed briefly.

**ACTION ITEMS:** Prior to next meeting.

- Dave will provide size of each park
- Dave will send the P&T Task Force park findings/recommendations out to all members for review
- Dave will send members the "City of Wayzata Capital Planning Report" (2005-2014) along with any updated versions.
- Joanie will tour all parks and trails with Dave.
- All members will prepare specifics for the Mission Statement

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m      Next mtg. **Feb. 28**  
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