

## Crosslake Park, Recreation, and Library Commission Minutes

Wednesday June 28, 2023

Crosslake Community Center 2:00pm

Present: Chair Joe Albrecht, Heather Jones, Peter Graves, Ann Schrupp, Mary Jo Fritsvold, Parks and Recreation Director TJ Graumann, Parks and Recreation Manager Jane Monson

- I. Meeting was called to order at 2:00pm
- II. Approval of Agenda  
**Motion to approve agenda with addition.**  
Peter/Ann Favor: All Opposed: None
- III. Approval of minutes  
**Motion to approve minutes of March 22, 2023 meeting with one typo to be corrected.**  
Ann/Peter Favor: All Opposed: None
- IV. Old Business
- A) Rink/Warming house, Conceptual design plan – TJ received a revised estimate from Bolton and Menk. The estimate is \$9000 and will provide a concept design and conceptual cost level estimate. TJ explained that he has money in the levy for engineering fees and will speak to Mike about options for the rest of the money needed.  
**Motion to recommend to Council to move forward with the Bolton and Menk proposal this year.**  
Heather/Mary Jo Favor: All Opposed: None
- V. New Business
- A) Water at the Dog Park – there is still no water at the dog park. It was in the original plan but has not been done yet. There is some concern about running it now as there are possible changes to the park that could affect that. If the new warming house and rink are approved, other things may move. Discussion about options for now as we don't feel it makes sense until the other plans are more concrete. We discussed a temporary line, there was concern about vandalism. We also discussed a large water container to leave at the park, the concern for that is that it would get too hot or could be tampered with. The consensus was that we will wait until next year and hopefully have a plan for the space between the building and dog park by then.

- Motion to change the wording on the Parks and Rec logo to “Promoting Healthy Lives” and have that reflected in the Parks and Rec mission statement.**

A) Staff Report

- i. Pine River Overlook Park – Pal will be proceeding with ordering all the amenities for the park (tables, concrete, etc.). The garage that is currently on the lot will be transformed into a picnic pavilion, the east portion will have the walls knocked down and will provide a view of the park and river. The west portion will be used for storage. The council approved up to \$12,000 to complete this project.
- ii. Summer Youth Programs – Tennis has been a success. Fun in the Park completed the June program and has put out the schedule for July. It has been going well. The Loon Biologist program got off to a slow start but should be picking up as people become aware of the program.
- iii. ROW Inventory Update/additional discussion about ROW's – TJ put together all the info on the right of ways. He showed us the presentation, it is very impressive. The commission commends TJ for his work in organizing the ROW's into this presentation. TJ will bring the presentation to council on July 10. We discussed the possibility of a task force, with staff and members from all involved commissions, to start making a plan for these.
- iv. Library Update – The children's program has started and will run until July 24, there are 30 children participating.
- v. Sign Variance – TJ attended the P&Z meeting regarding the variance to have an LED portion on the sign at the community center. P&Z denied the variance in a 3-2 vote. We will move ahead with the sign without that portion.
- vi. Webster ROW – was tabled at the June city council meeting. It will come back to our commission in July.

- C) Pequot Lakes Community Education Update –Joell was in attendance. She told us that at the recent school board meeting they voted to put a referendum on the ballot in November. It will have 2 parts, first for tech needs and transportation, second for safety features, etc. (additions to classrooms, outdoor spaces, etc.). Part one will have to pass for part 2 to pass, but part one can pass on its own. She also reminded us of the Shrek performances coming up in July.

VII. Open Forum – none

VIII. Adjourn at 3:39 PM

**Motion to adjourn**

**Ann/Peter**

**Favor: All**

**Opposed: None**