

Crosslake Parks, Recreation, and Library Commission Minutes

Friday, August 9, 2024

Crosslake City Hall 11:00AM

Present: Chair Peter Graves, Heather Jones, Ann Schrupp, Mary Jo Fritsvold, and Parks and Recreation Director TJ Graumann

Not in attendance: Kera Porter, Kristin Graham, City Council Liaison Jackson Purfeerst

- I. Meeting was called to order at 11:14 am
- II. Approval of June Minutes - **It was the consensus to table June minutes until the next regular scheduled meeting.**
- III. Old Business
 - a. Draft Signage – A lengthy conversation ensued regarding design of each sign provided by Upland Advertising. It was noted that an arrow on either side of the sign on 66/Daggett would be a nice addition. Ann added that we may want to add “city park’ to the bottom of the sign. The recommended verbiage for the bottom of the sign is “Community Center, Park & Library. TJ mentioned that he was approached by a company who makes wood signs and was interested in providing an estimate for both signs. It was the consensus of the commission to get estimates for wooden signs and reach out to Upland to update the proposed mockups.
- IV. New Business
 - a. Park Dedication Consideration, 37922 White Pine Trail -
Motion to accept cash in lieu of land. Ann/Mary Jo Favor: All Opposed: None
 - b. Park Dedication Consideration, 33703 Antler Road -
Motion to accept cash in lieu of land. Heather/Ann Favor: All Opposed: None
 - c. Park Dedication Consideration, 38481 Buckskin Lane -
It was the consensus to table this consideration until the next regular scheduled meeting. The commission would also like to visit the site before making a recommendation.
 - d. Easement on East Shore Road - Paul Satterlund is working on this and will report back to TJ with updates.

VI) Other Business

a. Updates

- i. Park Masterplan, Q & A – TJ noted that, after two open houses and many conversations, there has been no real pushback regarding the master plan. Through the open houses, we received feedback the future potential splash pad is proposed in a strange location. Rather than positioning the splash pad by the warming house and pickleball courts, it should be in closer proximity to the playground. That way, a parent can watch 2+ children at each amenity.

**Motion to approve the master plan as submitted and to present to city council for their approval. Heather, Mary Jo Favor: All
Opposed: None**

**Motion to approve phase 1 of the master plan, of which includes, four additional pickleball courts and parking lot A (west parking lot).
Heather, Ann Favor: All Opposed: None**

- ii. Crosslake Community School Survey Results – TJ worked with staff from the community school to develop a survey for grades 1-3 and 4-8. TJ has since informed the school that he is working through staff challenges and that priorities have changed a bit. As the discussion carried on, TJ noted that Crosslake is growing, and with that, how do we respond to requests from patrons and organizations that want more community education activities. Heather asked if it would be possible to partner with our school district, ISD 186, to provide some of these opportunities that our community is craving. TJ will talk to Joell and see if she would be willing to provide some more information on this topic at the next regular council meeting.
- iii. Pickleball Fundraising Update – Congratulations to the CPA for crushing their goal of raising over \$70,000 to be dedicated the four additional pickleball courts.
- iv. Pickleball Tournament – 32 teams competed in the second annual Dog Days of Summer Pickleball Tournament. It was another successful tournament! Peter mentioned that there are opportunities for future tournaments to host more teams. Using an electronic system, we would be able to host a tournament 5 times the size.
- v. Pine River Overlook Park Update – The PAL Foundation has agreed to donate a bench and a dog waste station for the park.
- vi. CCC Staffing – TJ is working on finalizing a proposal to present that the next regular city council meeting.

b. Comments from the commission – None

c. Pequot Lakes Community Education Update – None

VII) Open Forum – None

VIII) Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 12:11.

Heather/Ann

Favor: All

Opposed: None