

**Park and Trails Board  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, February 21, 2018**

Meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Chair, Dan Baasen, at Wayzata City Hall.

Present: Dan Baasen as Chair, Merrily Borg Babcock as Vice-Chair, Jim McWethy, Sarah Showalter, Tyler Purdy, and Mary Bader. Mike Kelly represented the city. Absent were Sarah Randolph and Joanie Cunningham.

Minutes from the January meeting were approved with corrections by Purdy (motion) and seconded by McWethy

Meeting Agenda was approved by Borg Babcock (motion) and seconded by Baasen

Public comments: None

## **Old Business**

Platform Tennis Update (McWethy & Baasen):

- Next step is to meet with Director of Planning and Building, Jeff Thomson, to discuss ideas of keeping platform tennis initiative moving concurrent with Master Plan
- Discussed having a Parks and Trails workshop to inform and update board members of current plans and to answer any outstanding questions of board members

Boat Parade (Baasen):

- The application for a permit through the Water Patrol has been received
- The Water Patrol will not police the event as they are already stretched thin due to heavy boating activity on the holiday.
- The Wayzata Chamber has expressed interest in somehow being involved in the event
- Tentatively aiming for a 2:00pm start so there is no conflict with Broadway parade, pancake breakfast & kiddie Olympics

Communications update (Bader):

- February Newsletter went out to subscribers as planned
- March Newsletter is in process and should be distributed in early March
- Currently 99 newsletter subscribers
  - Discussed a call to action on P&T website to increase subscription base
  - Discussed including a link to the Newsletter via the City's Friday Update or in the portal
- Parks and Trails brochure update has been postponed until completions of the Parks and Trails Master Plan.

Summer Music Series (Borg Babcock & Purdy)

- Discussed and approved holding concerts at Great Lawn park

- Concerts will be the four Sundays in June. Acts for 6/3 & 6/17 have been booked, actively working on the others
- City is working to finalize a contract for musicians

#### Community Education:

- Spring Kick-Off event is planned for May 8<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with Minnetonka Community Education
  - Board will work with Minnetonka Community Ed to define strategies to improve participation and results of kick-off
- Programming and Catalog have been distributed and registration is open
- Baasen to approach Tim McCormick about providing food as a way to promote seasonal opening of McCormick's Beachside

#### Master Plan Process and Meeting Schedule:

- Confluence was approved by Council
- Staff currently working on Contract
  - Hoping for approval of contract by Council by March 6<sup>th</sup>
- P&T will have kick-off meeting prior to March 21<sup>st</sup> board meeting. Tentatively planned for March 16<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 am

## New Business

#### Maple Tree Tapping

- Currently 36 sign-ups in total, which represents 14-15 groups
- Registration will be closing shortly
- Tapping initially planned for March 11<sup>th</sup>

#### Citizens Advisory Group Discussion:

- Tabled

## Other Business

#### Partnership with Daughters of the Revolution for Flying Pancake Breakfast:

- Board was approached to see if we would be interested in partnering/helping with the event
- Board decided to not take on more, but to refer to another organization that might be better aligned with the event (some suggestions below):
  - American Legion
  - Lions Club
  - Rotary

Motion to close the meeting. Moved by Purdy seconded by Borg Babcock. Meeting adjourned at 8:10.