



Meeting Minutes

July 20th, 2020 / 5:30 p.m. at City Hall Council Chambers and via GoToMeeting

Red Lodge Parks, Trees and Recreation Board

Call to order

Anna Drew, Chair, called a meeting of Red Lodge Parks, Trees and Recreation Board to order on July 20th, 2020

Roll Call

Name	Role	Present	Absent
Anna Drew	Chairperson		
Rue Freeman	Vice-Chairperson		
Courtney Long	Secretary		
Bryan Romeijn	City Representative		
Kevin Bonk	City Representative		
Rob Weamer	Council Representative		
Neil Matthews-Pennanen (non-voting)	City Staff, Assistant Planner		

Citizen Comment on Matters within Board Jurisdiction

None

Action Items:

Consent Agenda

Minutes from June 17th, 2020 meeting

Approval of consent agenda

Rue motioned to approve the consent agenda, Anna seconded the motion

Board approved consent agenda (5 to 0) – 6/17 minutes approved

Discussion Items

1. **Any items removed from Consent Agenda – none**
2. **Red Lodge Ice- Leveling Project in Lions Park**
 - Anna summarized the email sent by Rebecca Hardy that called for better accessibility for Al Bloomer and Andy Simpson, and asked if this is something they are willing to consider doing while they have the equipment for leveling. Andy and Al are willing, and suggested ADA access by the warming hut or from the playground area.
 - The issue of the depth of the pipes were brought up. Neil said he would look into any records for them, and Rue suggested that the Community Foundation may have specs.

- Al and Andy asked when they could begin leveling. Neil suggested waiting for informal summer use of the park to subside. A discussion regarding the start date covered optimal seeding time and mitigating the inconvenience for park users. Kevin suggested that seeding should be no later than mid-August, so the project should start sooner. Kevin also brought up the issue of sprinkler heads located in the leveling area.

Anna calls for a motion to approve the request for initiation of leveling and for seeding to be completed by August 15th. Kevin moves, Anna seconds. Motion approved (5 to 0).

3. Urban Forestry- Finn Park tree removal

- Trees were successfully removed, with the cost share trees being planted by Mike Taylor.
- Remainder of grant will be used for park remediation.
- On Sunday (7.19), the Tree Committee met to assess the city trees, noticing that several did not look like they've been irrigated. The committee also noted trees to prune, remove, and other needs.

4. BRTA- America Walks grant in Coal Miners Park

- Rue summarized her current knowledge of the sign status. It was sent out for approval with no comments for changes received. She believes it should have gone to print last Tuesday.

5. Disc Golf Event

- Neil updated the board on the event, which is likely to happen in September
- The disc golfers will bring in materials for 18 holes, and said to expect about 30 people.
- Neil and the Board are waiting for a COVID-19 transmission mitigation plan from the event organizers.

6. Skate Park Developments

- Currently at \$120,000 of \$200,000 goal
- They are waiting on the builder for an updated plan. The original plan was not approved by the MSPA.

7. Parks Funding in Resort Tax

- There is still time for board to send budget request to City Council
- \$25,000 suggested for parks as baseline, where a case can be made to request more for special projects
- Anna and the rest of the board adjusted line items on the previous Parks Budget to send to City Council

- Anna emailed budget to the board for additional comments. Rue and Neil will send to council if not comments received.

8. Comprehensive Parks Plan Update

- User group surveys will be sent out.

9. Financial Summary

- Board is in limbo until this year’s budget is approved.

10. Master Task List– reviewed and updates noted w/in attached spreadsheet

- Bryan pointed out that “In Progress” projects need to be updated from previous months. Courtney will update those as needed.

Citizen Comment on Matters within Board Jurisdiction

No citizen comments.

Announcements

No announcements.

Meeting Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.
- Next scheduled monthly meeting is on Wednesday, **August 19th, 2020**

_____ Anna Drew, Chair _____ Date

_____ Courtney Long, Secretary _____ Date

For supporting information see the following link: <http://cityofredlodge.net/departments/parks-board/>