

October 19, 2021

## CITY OF WASHBURN PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING

5:30 PM

Washburn City Hall and Remote Call-In

Members Present:

Jamie Cook, Angel Croll, and Erika Lang

Municipal Personnel Present:

Asst. City Administrator Tony Janisch, Director of Public Works  
Gerry Schuette

Absent:

Jennifer Maziasz (Council rep), Kyleleen Bartnick

### **Call to Order/Roll Call**

Meeting was called to order at 5:40 pm. Quorum met.

### **Approval of the September 21, 2021 Parks Committee Meeting Minutes**

Motion made to approve minutes by Croll, second by Cook. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Updates from Public Works Department**

Public Works Director Schuette and Asst. City Administrator Janisch gave the following updates:

- Park campgrounds closed yesterday
- Lots of seasonal visitors gave great reviews. There were some requests to see if the city is going to continue the landscape improvements and other improvements
- Public Works staff will be making improvements to the water system next year
- Public Works staff will clean and inspect lift stations next week
- Most of the Walking Trail work is done; there is a little bit of work yet to do on the condo bridge
- Warming Shelter improvements are next on the list and those will be done into December. Cook suggested to perhaps add an external door as well on one of the bathroom units if possible.
- Early November, Public Works staff will pull the docks out at West End Park
- City Council has directed staff to look at costs of upgrading campsites (adding campsites) at the overflow area and/or at the area that is currently used as Book Across the Bay parking. Staff will look at cost of offering full utilities either through hooking up to the current infrastructure or building a bathroom facility.

### **Updates on Implementation of the Walking Trail Land Management Plan & Wisconsin Coastal Management Grant**

- Treatment of the remaining buckthorn and honeysuckle is occurring now
- Ordering of native plant seedlings for key locations along the lakeshore will still need to occur. Lang will coordinate with Janisch to do this, and grant funds will cover it
- Lang and Janisch met earlier today to prepare an additional coastal management program grant to do more invasive work and maintenance, more signage improvements, replace the beach stairs along trail, install a new bridge, etc.
- Lang and Janisch are working on the draft for the interpretive sign that will go at the trailhead off of 6<sup>th</sup> Ave.

### **Discussion & Action of Outdoor Recreation Plan, Parks & Recreation Inventory**

- Work and discussion continued on the Outdoor Recreation Plan.
- Parks Committee members reviewed the remaining inventory; Croll and Janisch had worked on editing and organizing the content before the meeting
- Parks Committee members added a couple of inventory items including a dog park and community gardens as concepts

### **Adjournment**

Date and time of next meeting will be November 16, 2021. Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Erika Lang  
Secretary, Parks Committee