



Parks & Recreation Office – 901 Montana Avenue

February 4, 2025

6:30 pm

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Gary Stevenson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Wendy Taavola called roll.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Cathy Sjoquist
Gary Stevenson
Anne Pfothenhauer
Jay Bostwick
Roger Aho

ABSENT

Bob Bosk

STAFF PRESENT

Wendy Taavola, Director
Patricia West, DDA Director

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made to approve minutes of January 7, 2025, meeting, with a change to members present being Gary Stevenson, Cathy Sjoquist, Jay Bostwick, Bob Bosk and Roger Aho and those absent being Anne Pfothenhauer., by Stevenson, seconded by Bostwick.

Voting Yea: ALL

MOTION CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

The board welcomed a new member, John DeFiore.

Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Director, Patricia West, gave a presentation on 2025 DDA operations and budget, including the proposed downtown social district. Ms. West answered board questions regarding downtown city Christmas decorations, the city logo and city banners.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Taavola updated the board on the opening of the tubing hill. Passes from 2024 will be refunded, purchasers need to request the refund through the recreation web page.

Director Taavola initiated a discussion regarding the employment of a board member in the department. The board requested the department to get clarification from the city clerk whether this would be a conflict of interest and if this should be added to the bylaws.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Jay Bostwick: No comments

Roger Aho: Aho initiated discussions on the following:

1. **Boardwalk:** Aho inquired about the DPW currently removing damaged portions of the boardwalk and repurposing the wood.
2. **Sand blows over the road in Van Cleve:** Aho initiated a discussion regarding ideas to block the sand that blows over the road from the beach passed the skatepark towards the boat parking lot.

Gary Stevenson: Stevenson initiated discussions on the following:

1. **Hole in Sidewalk by Harbor:** Stevenson inquired about the repair to the sidewalk near the Harbor. Taavola stated that DPW will be handling the repair.
2. **Credit Card Fees:** Stevenson questioned whether a 3 percent credit card use fee was charged at the campground and the harbor, stated that the campground does charge fees.

Cathy Sjoquist: Sjoquist inquired about the following:

1. **Diesel Fuel:** Sjoquist asked about the left-over fuel from the harbor tank from last meetings discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the board, Pfothauer motioned; Aho seconded to adjourned meeting at 7:57 pm.