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AGENDA

Parks & Trees Commission Thursday, March 14, 2019 5:00pm

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes and Summary Regular Meeting of January 17, 2019
4. Park Report
 - A. Commissioner Follow Up
 - Cook ~ Tom Belco
 - Darrow ~ Sandy Lamorandier
 - Hicks ~ Bunny LaDuke
 - Kenyon ~ Matthew Bradley
 - Pell ~ Sandy Lamorandier
 - Riverwalk & CBD ~ Gina Berry
 - Sherwood ~ Marsha Keeler
5. New Business:
 - A. Playground ground cover options.
6. Open Business:
 - A. Love Your Hometown Grant – Allegan County Community Foundation
 - B. Dog Park Entrance improvement
7. Public Comments
8. Staff Comments
9. Chairman’s Report
10. Commissioners’ Comments
11. Next Meeting / Items for Agenda: Thursday, April 11, 2019
12. Adjournment

**MINUTES
CITY OF PLAINWELL
PARKS & TREES COMMISSION
January 17, 2019**

1. Matthew Bradley called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM.
2. Roll Call: Present: Matthew Bradley, Tom Belco, Marsha Keeler, Bunny LaDuke, Gina Berry and Sandra Lamorandier. Absent: Todd Overhuel.
3. Approval of Minutes:

Belco moved to accept and place on file the minutes and summary of December 13, 2018. Lamorandier supported the motion. On voice vote, motion carried.

4. Parks:
Lamorandier presented Bob Nieuwenhuis' update of projects. Riverwalk caution signs will be going up, "Slippery When Wet", also all benches and tables are painted except the stationary ones, those will be completed when the weather breaks.

Cook Park Maintenance Report

Belco reported that the entrance to the Dog Park is extremely muddy and suggests we need to consider putting something in, like pea gravel because the grass just isn't going to be able to take off in that area. Belco also suggested adding boulders to stop kids from driving on the grass and he will talk to Bob at Public Works for suggestions.

Berry brought up the lack of lighting at the Dog Park wondered about doing a fundraiser for the lighting and said she would start a fund raiser on Facebook.

LaDuke commented the new trees donated from Modern Woodman of America look good at the end of the park. Small discussion on the plaques that will be put in front of them.

Darrow Park Maintenance Report - Sandy Lamorandier

Looks fine.

Hicks Park Maintenance Report - Bunny LaDuke

LaDuke reported park is fine. Keeler said we need to see if the Hicks Park Arch still exists and if so we need to reinstall it.

Kenyon Park Maintenance Report – Matthew Bradley

Bradley reported tire tracks in the field, may need to place boulders to keep cars out. He inquired about Acorn Street and its need to be repaved. Lamorandier explained there is a list of streets with a scale of condition and need for repaving that is generated from the Public Works and then budgeted for and it could be on the list and scheduled, but not necessarily scheduled for this coming year.

Pell Park Maintenance Report - Todd Overhuel, Sandra Lamorandier

Nothing to report

Riverwalk/CBD – Gina Berry

Nothing to report

Sherwood Park Maintenance Report - Marsha Keeler

Everything ok

5. New Business:
Further discussion on Dog Park Entrance. Belco reported the entrance to the Big Dog area is in need of something to prevent the mud. Possibly gravel and he will follow up on this.
6. Open Business:
Bradley had the board review all of the Open Business items we are still listing and removed those items that have been completed or will not take place. Items in the Unresolved Past Items list that will be removed are: ice rink, Rotary grant, mulch around small memorial trees, replace roof and paint pavilion in Cook Park, and paint and stain benches in Darrow Park.
7. Staff Comments
Lamorandier reported that Arbor Day is April 26th and the tree will go in the Dog Park honoring Diana Lubic for her years on the Planning Commission. Contact has been made with the Choir Director and 12:30 PM same as last year will work. A Purple Leaf Beech tree was a request if it can be obtained. LaDuke will contact E-Z Tree to see if they can get one and the price.

Lamorandier reported that the flower order has been placed and in the next months she and Bunny and any other Commissioners who want to join will visit the greenhouse to see how they are coming.
8. Chairman's Report
None.
9. Commissioners' Comments
None.
10. Next Meeting
The next meeting will be Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 5 PM.
11. Adjournment

Keeler moved Berry supported to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted,
Sandra Lamorandier
Administration Staff