



PARKS & TRAILS COMMISSION
Monday, October 18, 2021 at 6:30 PM
MINUTES

LOCATION: Town Square Pavilion
(Inclement weather plan location: Town Square Maintenance Garage)

Call to Order **Commission Chair, Fritz Wiesehan**

Ward I

Ward II

Ward III

Ward IV

Jack Dunning

Adam Baer

Stephanie Petersen

Meg Johnson

Kassie Harold

Beth Nelson

Vacant

Steve Korbecki

At Large **Alyson Barclay, Ward I**

John Steinhubl, Ward Ward II

Staff Liaison: Anne Nixon

Approval of Minutes: 9/20/21 Motion to amend minutes to read "...invite some representatives..." and approve as ammended by Steve Korbecki, Second by Adam Baer, unanimously approved.

Commission Member Reports: Longview, Drace, Preservation, Town Square- Commission members commented that the Fall Fire & Ice event was the best ever and the fireworks were the best ever.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Budget review, including budgeted events:
 - a. Arbor Day (May)
 - b. Summer Movie Night (June)
 - c. Summer Concerts (May, June, July)
 - d. Fall Fire & Ice (October)
 - e. Turkey Trot (November)
 - f. Holiday Boutique (November)
 - g. Photos with Santa (December)
 - h.

Commission members wanted to add the Art Gallery shows and openings to this list to make sure they keep happening.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Custodial Contract and Grounds Care Review and Recommendation- Commission discussed possible changes in scope to the custodial contract. One proposed option suggested was to close the Town Square pavilion restrooms during the winter if needed. Commission members recommend that the "Town and Country brand" service level needs to continue to look clean and safe. No changes were recommended to either contract. Anne Nixon proposed allocating all budgeted funds for seasonal park employee toward "time and materials" in the custodial contract instead. Professional, contracted cleaning contractors are more reliable and cost effective than seasonal staff. Commission members unanimously supported this change.

2. Upcoming Events
 - a. Holiday Boutique-Saturday, November 13, 9AM-3PM
 - b. Turkey Trot-Friday, November 26, 9 AM 5K, 10 AM Kids' Run-Volunteers include: Jack Dunning, Steve Korbecki, Adam Baer
 - c. Photos with Santa-Saturday, December 11, 9-11AM-Volunteers include Steve Korbecki, Meg (and Mark) Johnson

3. Prioritization New Commission Tasks-Green Thumb Awards, Public Art, Art Gallery Shows, and Summer Concerts-Commission members like the idea of involving members from the former commission to serve on project/event committees.

NEXT MEETING

November (In-Person) Event -Turkey Trot Volunteer Hours 8-10:30 AM

Next Meeting: November 15, 2021, 6:30 PM, Town Square Maintenance Facility

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