



Watertown Park Commission Meeting

DeAnna Clemens
Terry Gallagher
Danette Painschab
Joel Skoog
Brie Brandenburg
Brad Kipp
Adam Pawelk

8/19/2020 - Minutes

1. Call To Order And Roll Call

Park Commission Chair Danette Painschab called the Watertown Park Commission meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, August 19, 2020 in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

Park Commission members present: Painschab, DeAnna Clemens, Terry Gallagher, Joel Skoog and Brad Kipp. Council liaison: Adam Pawelk.

Staff members present: City Administrator Shane Fineran and Clerk-Treasurer Lynn Tschudi. Guest: Todd Hansen.

SKOOG MOVED, CLEMENS SECONDED A MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE, MOTION CARRIED.

2. New Business

2.A. July 15, 2020 Park Commission Meeting Minutes

GALLAGHER MOVED, SKOOG SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM JULY 15, 2020. ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE, MOTION CARRIED.

2.B. Sugarbush Park Playground Concept

City Administrator Fineran updated the Park Commission on the Sugarbush Playground replacement. A concept playground was drafted by Flagship Recreation showing the desired playground features. Fineran noted the concept supports the relocation of the container to the west side of the park space. The playground is being planned in two phases. The first phase includes swings and structures for children ages 2 to 5 and 5 to 12. The second phase would be mostly an addition to the 5-12 area. Fineran shared visual examples with the commission. Phase one would cost \$84,000 leaving \$30,000 for excavation and grading.

Watertown Resident Todd Hansen asked about the trail connection for the Sugarbush Park. Fineran said the trail connection would be included with the 2021 Mill and Overlay project scope. Fineran said there is not an exact location for the connection at this time. The Commission discussed the various trail options for the Sugarbush Park area.

Painschab asked when phase two will be implemented. Fineran stated that has not been identified.

The Park Commission agreed that ages 2 to 5 enjoy climbing so they appreciate that feature in phase one. Commissioner Clemens asked if the tire swing could get moved to phase one. Fineran said he would investigate that.

SKOOG MOVED, GALLAGHER SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONCEPT AND PHASING PLAN FOR THE SUGARBUSH PARK INCLUDING MOVING THE TIRE SWING TO PHASE ONE. ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE, MOTION CARRIED.

3. Updates From Staff

Fineran updated on the Disc Golf Course. The Grove Street Hockey Rink will be completed by winter. The Highway 25 trail connection to the Luce Line will be completed by fall.

Kipp asked if the National Honor Society students would be able to help with anything at the city.

4. Adjournment

KIPP MOVED, SKOOG SECONDED A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:02 PM. ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE, MOTION CARRIED.