

Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes
City of Mount Vernon
Dec 8, 2020

The Mount Vernon Parks and Recreation Board met on Dec 8, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom virtual meeting with the following members present: Catherine Poduska, Loren Hoffman, and Rory Wiebel. Not Present Roman Meyers. The board currently has one vacancy. Also in attendance: Parks and Recreation Director, Matt Siders.

Approval of the Agenda. Motion made by Hoffman to approve agenda. Seconded by Wiebel. Carried all.

Approval of the Minutes up to Nov 10, 2020. Motion made by Hoffman to approve agenda. Seconded by Wiebel. Carried all.

Directors Report.

Siders reported Boys Basketball registration is on hold until Governor Reynolds lifts current proclamation. The girls' basketball season was cut short due to Governor Reynolds proclamation to halt all youth sports gatherings. Siders also discussed insurance claims for damage in the parks and at the LBC from the August 10 derecho. No youth wrestling will be offered for 4,5 and 6 yr olds. Magical Night was a success. Estimated 450 cars, anticipated 250 cars. LBC daily participation and membership numbers were shared.

Discussion regarding recruiting Park and Board members

Siders pointed out that Sate Code recommends that the Board exhaust all options when considering candidates to achieve gender equity. The Board and Siders will continue to pursue candidates.

Discussion regarding City of Mount Vernon Trails Master Plan

The Board discussed the current plan and recognized it needs an update. With a couple new trails and new connection the Trails Plan could use another look. The Underhill Skate Park connection to Third Street NE was discussed as the next trail to recommend to Council for FY2021.

Discussion regarding Pavilion and Gazebo rental rates.

Siders provided a little update and will create a proposal for rates at a future Board meeting.

Subcommittee reports (Parks, Capital, Pool, Programming, and Volunteer). None reported.

Old Business. None.

New Business. None

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m., December 8th, 2020

Respectfully submitted

Matt Siders, Director MV Parks and Rec