

Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes  
December 10, 2024

The Mount Vernon Parks and Recreation Board met on December 10, 2024 at 6:37p.m. at the LBC and the following members were present: Bob Campagna, Marla Wright, and Graham Carl. Also in attendance Darrow Center MV citizen, Hannah Ganzel MV citizen, and Director of Parks and Recreation, Matt Siders.

**1. Approval of the Agenda.** Motion made by Wright to approve agenda with change. Seconded by Carl. Carried all.

**2. Approval of the Minutes of September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 meeting.** Motion made by Wright to approve agenda. Seconded by Carl. Carried all.

**3. Open Forum** - Darrow Center asked what the plans were with plantings at the Stonebrook Park area. Siders informed her that no plans have been made and that currently no money has been allocated so far for that project. The City did have the area surveyed, but no movement on the park grading as of yet. Siders mentioned she would consult with her and City staff once that became an opportunity. Center also shared with the group that there were about 10 species of seed mix planted at the hillside of Sauter Park.

**4. Directors Report** - Siders presented his report.

**5. Discussion regarding Changes to the Park and Rec Board.** Siders informed the Board that Neil Rud will be recognized as the new Board member starting in January 2025.

**6. Discussion regarding Subcommittees and marketing committee.** This item was tabled again until next meeting.

**7. Discussion regarding Logo Creation.** The item was tabled again until next meeting.

**8. Discussion regarding Interurban Federal Trail Grant.** Siders shared with the Board that we did not receive the Federal Trail Grant for the Interurban Trail.

**9. Discussion regarding Park Audit.** Siders shared with the Board that City staff, Chair Campagna, and Council Member Andresen all toured City Parks and documented items that needed repair, replaced, or upgraded. The goal is to give Council an idea of what amount of funding it would take improve the quality and appearance of our parks. This is a work in progress.

**10. Subcommittee reports (Parks, Capital, Pool, Programming, and Trails)**

Wright -Parks / Graham -Capital /Campagna – Pool / ?????- Programming / Joseph – Trails

This items was tabled to next meeting.

**11. Old Business** - Siders updated the group on shades for the multipurpose gym. Issues at hand are cost and storage of the shades. This is still a work in progress.

**12. New Business** – Nothing

**13. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 7:32pm, December 10, 2024

Respectfully submitted - Matt Siders, Director MV Parks and Rec