

Parks, Recreation, and Natural Resources Committee Meeting Minutes May 27, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL. Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom by Village Trustee and Chair Carrie Nelson. Roll call: Nelson, John Feldner, Sarah Kuba, Darrell Waldera, David Wilson.

Staff present: Matt Schuenke, Village Administrator; Sayer Larson, Parks Superintendent; Jim Hessling, Public Works Director; Heidi Cox, E.D. Locke Public Library Director, and Phil McDade, Public Works staff. Also, Blake Theisen of Parkitecture + Planning consultants.

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES. None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

a. Discussion and action regarding the minutes from the Parks, Recreation, and Natural Resources Committee meeting held on April 22, 2021. Nelson motioned, Kuba seconded, to approve the minutes of the Parks, Recreation, and Natural Resources Committee meeting held on April 22, 2021. Motion approved 5-0-0.

4. BUSINESS.

a. Discussion and action on a request from the McFarland Public Library to have amplified sound pursuant to 44-20 of the Village Code of Ordinances for various events proposed over the summer. Cox said the library would like to have amplified music for some of its outdoor programming this summer, primarily at Lewis Park. Nelson motioned, Waldera seconded, to recommend approval of the library's use of amplified sound for summer 2021 programs. Motion approved 5-0-0.

b. Discussion regarding master plan development at Community Park. Theisen of Parkitecture + Planning reviewed plans for the development of Community Park, a 26-acre parcel adjacent to County Highway AB, south of Siggelkow Road. The committee discussed with Theisen the alignment of major features in the park, such as soccer fields, an indoor athletic building, and other recreational areas. Several committee members expressed support for an option that included a service road running along the southern border of the property, with soccer fields concentrated in the northwest section of the property. The committee took no action on the agenda item.

c. Presentation of the Parks Superintendent's monthly report. Larson reported the Ridgeview Tot Lot has had sand added to it for surfacing, and that BCycle is seeking quotes for a concrete pad to build at McDaniel Park as part of its electric bicycle rental program.

5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE.

a. Thursday, June 24, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

6. ADJOURNMENT. Feldner motioned, Waldera seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 7:28 p.m.