

**CITY OF DEXTER  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING  
MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 15, 2018**

The regular meeting of the City of Dexter Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:02 pm at the City Offices, 8123 Main Street.

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Becky Murillo, Joanne Wagner, Ron Miller, and Anne Marques

Commissioners Absent: Toni Henkemeyer, Paul Arnold, and Ray Tell (Ex-officio)

Others Present: Justin Breyer, Assistant to the City Manager/Clerk; and residents.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Motion by Murillo, Seconded by Marques to approve the minutes from March 20, 2018 as presented with the following change:

- Change "Miler" to "Miller"

Unanimous Voice Vote  
Motion Adopted

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Miller, Seconded by Murillo to approve the agenda as presented.

Unanimous Voice Vote  
Motion Adopted

**CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION**

None

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION**

**A. CHAIR**

Huron Waterloo Pathways Initiative – Becky Murillo reported that HWPI held a public meeting at the Dexter Library and it was well attended.

**B. COMMISSIONERS AND EX-OFFICIO**

Tree Board – Joanne Wagner reported that the Arbor Day tree giveaway went well, and the Tree Board gave away all of the trees. The Committee will be meeting in June

City Council – None

Art Selection Committee – None

### **C. STAFF REPORT**

Justin Breyer submitted his report per the packet. Justin updated the Committee on the following projects:

- Tree donation
- Library pathway
- Scope of services for landscaping near Farmers Market stairs

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. DISCUSSION OF: FIRST STREET PARK COMMUNITY WORK DAY**

The Parks and Recreation Commission discussed options related to First Street Park.

Motion by Murillo, Second by Marques to forward to City Council the following recommendations and comments related to the First Street Park Project:

- 1) The Parks Commission is interested in completing an improvement project for First Street Park.
- 2) The Commission recommends moving all Park features and amenities inside of the legal park boundary.
- 3) The First Street Park Plan developed by the City's interns should be adjusted to take into account that the location of some pits may change, but the directionality of the pits should not change. The horseshoe pits are a major feature of the Park and it would not be ideal to play horseshoes with the pits reoriented to match the Plan's site renderings.
- 4) The Parks and Recreation Commission wishes to present Council with all four (1 – 4, excludes level 0) levels of project work, but recommends Level 4 because it brings everything within the Park boundaries.
- 5) While the Park may have begun as a park for one group, but it is now used for other purposes other than horseshoes and the Committee's the goal is to develop that further build upon that to continue to make it an attractive Park for everyone.
- 6) The Parks and Recreation Commission sees a number of the recommended items as regular maintenance items, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Adding trash and recycle bins that are standard to other City parks
  - b. Adding a pet waste system
  - c. Containing the sand that is currently out in the open
  - d. Laying pea gravel underneath the grills

Ayes: Miller, Wagner, Marques, and Murillo

Nays: None

Absent: Henkemeyer, Tell, and Arnold

#### **B. CONSIDERATION OF: MILL CREEK PARK WALKTHROUGH**

The Commission discussed dates and times to hold a walkthrough of Mill Creek Park with Paul Evanoff.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **PARKS MAINTENANCE REQUESTS**

- Bolts on railing at switchback.
- There are downed trees in the bank near the Library.
- Trees at Lion's Park need to be replaced.
- Picnic Tables at Lion's Park need to be removed from Lion's Park.
- Sign for trailhead about pathway etiquette.

## **CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION**

None

## **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

None

## **PROPOSED BUSINESS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

First Street Park

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Murillo, Seconded by Wager to adjourn the meeting at 9:12pm.

Unanimous Voice Vote

Motion Adopted

Justin Breyer  
Assistant to the City Manager / City Clerk