

CALL TO ORDER

The August 2, 2021 Park Commission Meeting was called to order by Chair Dahlke at 6:03 p.m. at Rockford City Hall 6031 Main St, Rockford, MN.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Dahlke, Gusse, Edmeier and Seymour. Commissioner Hunter was absent. Also, in attendance was: Council Liaison Scott Seymour, and Parks Employee Darcy Desens.

SET AGENDA/APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION was made by Seymour, seconded by Gusse to approve the agenda and approve the minutes of the June 7, 2021 regular meeting the correction in attendance.

Motion Carried Voting in favor Dahlke, Gusse, Edmeier and Seymour

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Pictures of fishing access steps for the river were reviewed. The Commission thought they would be good as long as it is built from durable materials and could tolerate high water.
- B. An issue with the memorial benches at the volleyball courts was brought up. The family of the first bench was unhappy with the placement of the second bench. Commissioner Gusse had been contacted by the complainant and will contact them again to find out what would make them happy. We will not be moving the second bench. The Commission will also look at developing a policy for donations and memorials.
- C. The Park Dedication fund total is at \$86,270.84

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Veteran's Memorial update
The memorial committee visited the site by the canoe launch parking lot and liked the area. They will proceed with putting together elements that they would like to see in the memorial in that area.
- B. The map showing areas for placement of dog sanitation stations and bag dispensers was reviewed and approved by the commission.
Three complete sanitation stations will be placed along the trails:
 - South of Iris Lane and Elm Street
 - Autumn Oaks Drive and Linnea Parkway
 - Maple Street just south of the railroad.Seven signs and doggy bag dispensers will be placed in the parks along with existing garbage cans. Three of these will be in Riverside Park with one in each of the other parks.

STAFF REPORT

The Kettenacker Basketball court has been paved, repainted and the fence replaced. The gazebo has been repainted by staff. The fence around the porta potty has also been repainted.
The trails along Elmwood Drive through Mutterer Park and the trails in Riverside Park have been seal coated.

ADJORNMENT

MOTION to adjourn was made by Gusse, seconded by Edmeier to adjourn the meeting.
Motion Carried Voting in favor Dahlke, Gusse, Seymour and Edmeier

Vice Chair Edmeier closed the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Submitted by Darcy Desens, Parks Lead Maintenance