



Parks and Recreation Meeting Minutes | June 21st, 2022

1. **Meeting Called to Order at 7:00PM**
2. **Roll Call:** *Cerio, Wu, Kerr, Frost, Alexander, LaFrenz, Poster, Karlinsky*
3. **Approval of Minutes – May 17th, 2022:** Motion to Approve by *Kerr*, seconded by *Frost*.
Unanimous approval by the Commission.
4. **Open Time for Public Expression:**

- a. Tom Frillman, a member of the Community Garden at Robson requested that the July meeting not be cancelled.

5. **Introduction of new Youth Commissioners**

Audrey Poster and Liam Karlinsky have joined the Committee as Youth Commissioners and will serve a year long term.

6. **Parks Update**

AJ Shaw gave an update on parks:

- Picnic tables for Memorial Park have been ordered.
- Painting of Millennium playground is complete, and the slide has been replaced and is open.
- The Crew is currently working on clearing weeds and painting curbs.
- Public works is working with a consultant on how to best repair a failing wall in Robson Harrington gardens.
 - Tom Frillman commented that numerous walls at Robson are failing. AJ agreed to take his feedback to DPW, and look for solutions consistent with the look and feel of the Park.

7. **Discussion Items**

- a. **Open Space Committee Update** – A brief history and background of the Open Space committee was given by Jonathan Braun. The committee has recently acquired a new space on Bald Hill and has more acquisitions in the works. They are also currently working on a steps/lanes and paths project which will map local trails and paths. Jonathan will present this project at a future meeting. More info on the Open Space Committee can be found at: sananselmoopenspace.org
- b. **Parkside Preschool Update** – Postponed to a future date.



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- c. **Hilldale Pocket Park Project Survey & Public Meetings** – Ella Acker, the Town’s new intern, presented a PowerPoint on the proposed addition of a pocket park (18ft x 50ft) on Hilldale Ave, behind United Market. In Ella’s data, of 123 total respondents, she showed that 77% of survey respondents approve of the idea of a pocket park. A subcommittee has been formed to conduct a survey of the neighborhood and planning of the park. A public meeting will be held on July 7th and 9th to further discuss community interest and concerns from the neighborhood. Commissioner Kerr asked if the Park maintenance would be the responsibility of the Community or the Town. Vice Chair Alexander expressed some concerns of Town residents that she has discussed the park proposal with regarding traffic disruption.

8. Action Items

- a. **Cancel September Commission meeting** - *Cerio* suggested the September meeting be cancelled. Motion to Approve by *Kerr*, seconded by *Frost*. Unanimous approval by the Commission.

9. Financial Report

- a. *Mauk* gave the Recreation Department’s financial report. 92% of the fiscal year has passed, the Recreation Department is at 159% of projected revenue and 98% of projected expenditures.

10. Staff Updates

- a. *Mauk* gave a staff update.
 - If all goes well and the bid is approved for field repairs, work will begin in August. Fields will likely be closed Until the end of February. Soccer will be moved to RVSD fields.
 - Summer camps are going well. We are following Department of Health guidelines for COVID.
 - Fall guide will be out late this summer.

11. Commission comments & questions, requests for future agenda items:

Parkside Preschool update

Open Space Committee presentation on paths, steps, and lanes

Meeting Adjourned at 8:19 PM. CD