

City of Northfield

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Meeting Minutes - Final Park & Recreation Advisory Board

Monday, March 4, 2024 6:00 PM Council Chambers

6:00 PM - REGULAR AGENDA CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:03pm. Alisha Hayes took Roll Call.

Also present: Ex-Officio Members Holmes and Bohar; Melissa Bernard, Recreation Coordinator, Northfield Community Education; Charlie Fredericks, Streets & Parks Manager; David Bennett, Public Works Director; Dennis Clark, Streets & Parks Supervisor; Alisha Hayes, Meeting Associate; and Mayor Rhonda Pownell.

Yes: 8- Board Member Jothen, Chair Peterson, Board Member Anderson, Board Member Riley, Board Member McBroom, Board Member Olson, Board Member Miller and Vice Chair Lauer

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Board Member Jothen, seconded by Board Member Olson, to approve the Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Board Member Jothen, Chair Peterson, Board Member Anderson, Board Member Riley, Board Member McBroom, Board Member Olson, Board Member Miller and Vice Chair Lauer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. 24-168 February 5, 2024 PRAB Meeting Minutes

Attachments: 2-5-2024 Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Board Member Anderson, seconded by Vice Chair Lauer, to approve the Minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Board Member Jothen, Chair Peterson, Board Member Anderson, Board Member Riley, Board Member McBroom, Board Member Olson, Board Member Miller and Vice Chair Lauer

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

CC Linstroth, 408 Lockwood Dr- details for Community Street Dance on July 13th 2024

Chrisite Clark, 501 East 3rd St.- not in support of Frisbee Golf at Hauberg Woods, past PRAB member and advocate of there being more public meetings and notifications.

Douglas Kriesel (no address provided)- not in support of Frisbee Golf at Hauberg Woods, beautiful nature park and preserve the history of the park.

Judy Sosted, 1118 Lia Ct.- not in support of Frisbee Golf at Hauberg Woods, dedication land to community to enjoy the nature of the woods, Mrs. Hauberg meant to keep it nature based.

Breanna Wheeler- 328 Linden St N- not in support of Frisbee Golf at Haubery Woods, naturalist and frequent walker of the woods, rich in natural spaces, rarity of natural land, ask to resend motion to get input from citizens.

Jane Runshimer, 1312 Cannon Valley Drive- opposed to Frisbee Golf at Hauberg Woods, a true nature park, important environmental elements and against the Hauberg family wishes, use other parks.

Chuck Woodward, 1612 Cannon Valley Drive- not in support of Frisbee Golf in Hauberg Woods, woods should be nature focused and preserved so nothing can move in to change that.

David Brown, 608 Thye CT- not in support of Frisbee Golf at Hauberg Woods, his neighborhood, and 22 different wildflower species.

Kathleen Shea, 6070 320th St. W- not in support of Frisbee Golf at Hauberg Woods, director of natural lands at St. Olaf, agreement to preserve the woods, logical reasons like the rusty patch bumble bees and high diversity of wild life.

Julie Schwartz, 603 Quie Lane- not in support of Frisbee Golf at Hauberg Woods, representing her family and her son wrote a letter about all the wonderful nature elements in the woods and said "Don't take away my happy place."

Bill Bruihler, 1704 Independence Dr- not seemingly opposed and spoke about needing more indoor and outdoor recreational opportunities and being "pro recreation"

Margie O'Loughlin, 412 Manitou St.- newer resident to Northfield, mentioned 2005 management plan, and mis-steps and mistakes made by lack of insight and communication to community members.

Dana Engstrom, 513 Ivanhoe Ave.- need to get processes more streamlined and step up communication game with residents of Northfield

REGULAR AGENDA

2. Res. 2024-020 PRAB Considers Resolution Approving the Riverside Lions Park Master Plan.

Attachments: 1 - Res Approving Master Plan

2 - NORTHFIELD RIVERSIDE LIONS VETS PARK PRAB

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A-26 RiversideLionsVets Final Northfield Parks, Open Space, and

Trail System Plan Report.pdf

A Motion was made by Board Member Riley, seconded by Vice Chair Lauer, to approve the resolution of Riverside Lions Master Plans. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Board Member Jothen, Chair Peterson, Board Member Anderson, Board Member Riley, Board Member McBroom, Board Member Olson, Board Member Miller and Vice Chair Lauer

A Motion was made by Board Member Miller, seconded by Olson, to extend tonight's meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

3. 24-169 Update and Discussion on temporary Frisbee golf course in Hauberg Woods..

Attachments: Disc Dolf Course Proposal (Hauberg Woods).pdf

Appendix-A-Grant-Hauberg-Woods-Heritage-Heywood-Hidden-Valle

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Chapter-3.pdf

Hauberg Woods Disc Golf Example 1.pdf

Hauberg Woods Disc Golf Example 2.pdf

Hauberg-Woods-Natural-Resources-Management-Plan-Final

Hyperlink

Connie DeGrote, 1108 Woodland Trl.- not in support of Frisbee Golf in Hauberg Woods, travelers resting area, wild places are rare, parking issues, temporary is just as destructive as permanent, passive recreation.

Ceceila Kivell, 600 Gill Lane- not in support of Frisbee Golf in Hauberg Woods, St. Olaf student, Biology major, Frisbee will distrupt habitats.

Hans Muessig- not in support of Frisbee Golf in Hauberg Woods, not this place, government and process failed, should get the EQC involved with these decisions.

Sarah Dennett, 1611 Quie Lane- not in support of Frisbee Golf in Hauberg Woods, poor location, can get muddy, and watershed to consider.

Grace Clark, 718 4th St. East- not in support of Frisbee Golf in Hauberg Woods, 9 year past PRAB member, property gift should not be changed.

Bruce Benson, 670 Green Meadow Ct.- not in support of Frisbee Golf in Hauberg Woods, wild areas need to be preserved.

Scott Broughton, 522 Cannon Valley Way- not in support of Frisbee Golf in Hauberg Woods, enjoy Frisbee Golf with son at St. Olaf course but Hauberg Woods is meant for nature and solitude.

Amy Olson, 1405 Cannon Valley Dr.- not in support of Frisbee Golf in Hauberg Woods, lack of transparency, space not suitable for expansion.

A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Olson to strike down the proposal to add a disc golf course to Hauberg Woods. The motion carried by the following vote:

An amendment to the motion was made by Jothen, seconded by Lauer to discuss other options for a disc golf course. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8- Board Member Jothen, Chair Peterson, Board Member Anderson, Board Member Riley, Board Member McBroom, Board Member Olson, Board Member Miller and Vice Chair Lauer

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Board and Commission Reports

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Peterson asked for motion to adjourn meeting.

A motion was made by Board Member Miller, seconded by Board Member Anderson, to adjourn meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.