

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

CHISAGO COUNTY PARK BOARD OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS Thursday, September 20, 2018

At 2:59 pm, Thursday, September 20, 2018, Chairman Carlson called the meeting of the Chisago County Park Board of Directors with the following members present: DuBose, Carlson, Sicheneder and Storm. Absent: Kaiser. Also present: Laird Mork, Park Director; Mike Robinson, County Commissioner; Ken Roberts, Chisago County Planner; and Meeting Recorder Deb Johnson.

Director Storm offered a motion to approve the Agenda for the Board of Directors meeting. Second by Director Sicheneder and **carried unanimously**.

Director Storm offered a motion to approve the minutes August 16, 2018, with one correction, date of meeting correction. Second by Director Sicheneder and **carried unanimously**.

Update given on the MN Bicycle Alliance meeting in the Chisago Lakes Area to complete a bike friendly assessment on 9/12/18, attended by Director Carlson and Park Director Mork. The bike friendly assessment is being paid for by grant funds. A report will be presented to the cities with their recommendations.

Reviewed examples from the city of Rochester on their policies and review process when considering requests related to the use of park land and facilities. Review checklist will be revised to Chisago County Parks and sent out for Directors to review. No action taken at this time.

Feedback was received from Denise Martin, Chisago County Press, on the excitement on the pending mountain bike trail within Ki-Chi-Saga Park. This was mentioned at the bike friendly meeting. Construction has not begun on the trail.

Swedish Immigrant Regional Trail updates received. The trail has been vandalized and a report has been made to the County Deputy. A citation will be issued. The trail will be closed for firearm deer hunting season, 11/3 – 11/18. The Natural Resource Trust Fund grant application to study potential routes for Segments B & D has been approved by the Board for submittal and the timeline for DNR approval was reviewed. Discussion was held on planning the opening celebration for the Connection Project, Segment F. Tentative date set for October 20, Saturday morning. Park Director Mork with review with the Parks & Trails Foundation at tonight's meeting. Park Director Mork met with the City of Center City and received concept approval for a trailhead on a portion of city owned property. Next step would be to complete a legal description and proposed trailhead plan, to be approved by the city council.

Discussion held on various ways to control the goose population at Fish Lake Park. Golf courses use a short rope fence at night to control geese on their course. This will be tried with the rope fence put in place at park closing and removed at noon when staff arrive the next day.

Ken Roberts, Chisago County Planner, reviewed with the board the survey results, public meeting report and next steps in the Fish Lake Park Master Plan process.

Discussion on EAB tabled until the next meeting.

Director DuBose offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:36 pm. Second by Director Storm and **carried unanimously**.

Next meeting scheduled for October 18, 2018, 3:00pm.

Gregg Carlson, Chair

Attest:

Laird Mork
Parks Director