

**City of Grand Rapids**  
**IRA Civic Center / Parks and Recreation Advisory Board**

Regular Monthly Meeting  
Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> – 5:30 p.m.  
IRA Civic Center

- I. Call to order
- II. Financial reports (only if end of quarter)
- III. Approve January Minutes
- IV. Setting of regular agenda
- V. Old business
  - a. Roof replacement update
  - b. Discuss Dog Park development
  - c. Discuss Blandin Beach upgrades and grant possibilities
- VI. New business
  - a. Discuss board appointments and positions
  - b. Remer / DeSchepper Park
- VII. Staff Reports
  - a. Programs and events update
- VIII. Correspondence
- IX. Visitors
- X. Adjournment

**CIVIC CENTER AND PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**  
**Regular Monthly Meeting**  
**January 14, 2015 – 5:30 p.m.**

The IRA Civic Center and Park and Recreation Advisory Board held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at the IRA Civic Center.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**Board Members Present:** Melanie DeBay, Brad Hyduke, Justin Lamma, Kim Smith, and Jon Toivonen

**Board Members Absent:** Lilah Crowe, Tina Glorvigen, Peter Miskovich, Steve Oleheiser, and Barb Sanderson

**Staff Present:** Dale Anderson and Sara Holum

**Visitors:** None

**II. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

**A motion was made by Hyduke and second by Toivonen to accept the financial reports as presented.**

**Upon roll call vote, the following voted in favor thereof: DeBay, Hyduke, Lamma, Smith and Toivonen. Those opposed: none. Motion carried.**

**III. MINUTES**

The minutes from the last regular meeting held on November 12, 2014 were presented to the board.

**A motion was made by Toivonen and second by Smith to accept the November 12, 2014 minutes as presented.**

**Upon roll call vote, the following voted in favor thereof: DeBay, Hyduke, Lamma, Smith and Toivonen. Those opposed: none. Motion carried.**

**IV. SETTING THE AGENDA**

No items were added for discussion.

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

a. Roof replacement update

After some significant hiccups, the work on the roof on the east side is nearly complete. It was discovered that the east side duct work may have been incorrectly sized when installed. We are waiting on the compressor and the fix of the air conditioning. The City will not release payment until work is complete.

## **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Discuss Dog Park Development. Dale had a discussion with Mr. Pagel and it was decided to keep the Remer-DeSchepper project in 2015 and to take funds out of the CIP. Dale also expressed that Mr. Pagel had challenged him to find sponsors or donations to cover the construction of a dog park in Veteran's Park. Dale had received a quote of \$12,000 for the fencing in Veteran's park.

**A motion was made by Toivonen and second by Smith to start a private fundraising campaign and seek permission from the City Council to solicit advertising.**

**Upon roll call vote, the following voted in favor thereof: DeBay, Hyduke, Lamppa, Smith and Toivonen. Those opposed: none. Motion carried.**

- b. Discuss Blandin Beach upgrades and grant possibilities. This item is going to be pushed back to the 2016 CIP requests. Dale will be pursuing grants through the Minnesota DNR and the Blandin Foundation.

## **STAFF REPORT**

- a. Programs and events update.
  - Pond hockey started this week. Practices are Mondays and Tuesdays with games on Thursdays.
  - Swim Lessons will start in March.
  - Volleyball will start in April has been expanded this year.
  - Dale described the summer program the Park and Recreation is planning on starting consisting of sport-based activities. They will be searching for a teacher to the head up the program.
  - Dale discussed briefly the Mighty Ducks Bonding and updates to capital. Other topics covered were refrigeration on east side, battery powered resurfacers and the potential remodel of the upstairs lobby.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nothing to report.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: Sara Holum