

Goodhue County Parks, Trails and Recreation Advisory Board

Meeting Date: October 7, 2021

Meeting Location: Goodhue County Law Enforcement Center EOC – Red Wing, MN
(Virtual Meeting Optional)

Meeting Time: 1:00 PM

Members

Brad Anderson	Commissioner
Todd Greseth	Commissioner
Mike Melstad	1 st District Rep
Mairi Doerr	2 nd District Rep
Bernie Overby	3 rd District Rep
Barbara Pratt	4 th District Rep
Janie Farrar	5 th District Rep
Scott Roepke	Cannon Valley Trail Rep
Roxanne Bartsh	Goodhue Pioneer Trail Rep
Greg Isakson	Staff: Director of Public Works
Jennifer Ziemer	Staff: Admin Assistant- PW

Absent: Mike Melstad, Barbara Pratt, and Roxanne Bartsh.

Virtual: Todd Greseth and Ken Burns.

Janie Farrar called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM. It was moved by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Scott Roepke, and carried to approve the July 22, 2021, Park Board Minutes.

It was moved by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Bernie Overby, and carried to approve the agenda.

The Park Board reviewed the 50% plans for the Byllesby pavilion and provided the following comments:

- remove old drinking fountains that have not been in service for many years
- did not support a sidewalk with steps – could create a sitting area at the end of the existing sidewalk if necessary, with ramps leading out in both directions
- Questioned whether the large size noted in the grading plan was necessary
- supportive of having the shower location closer to the beach

The park board discussed different planting options for the berm at Byllesby Park. Preference was expressed for the more naturalized landscape plan, larger containerized plant sizes, and mulching around each plant. Plantings will be purchased with local funds. Options to plant the berm in sections, watering with seasonal college students, using a water truck to haul in water, installing hydrants, and drip irrigation possibilities were all discussed.

Public Works staff has received some feedback regarding a reduction in the number of fish being caught in Lake Byllesby. Ken Burns found that the lake used to be stocked every-other year by the DNR, but this ceased after 2016. Staff agreed to reach out to the DNR to find out why this activity stopped and see if it could be re-instated.

Next meeting date is to be determined.

It was moved by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Mairi Doerr, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 3:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Ziemer
Goodhue County Administrative Assistant

Mission Statement

The mission of the Goodhue County Parks, Trails and Recreation Advisory Board is to provide a quality park, trail and recreation system which strive to preserve, protect, maintain, improve and enhance the County's park land, trails, and recreational activities, on behalf of all current and future citizens of the County of Goodhue