

MINUTES

City of Alpena Recreation Advisory Board
Regular Meeting
November 10, 2021
Alpena, Michigan

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Recreation Advisory Board was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by Dave Kuznicki, Recreation Advisory Board Chair.

ROLL CALL: RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

Present: Kuznicki, Dowd, Saddler, Melville-Hall, Pattison

Absent: Heath

Staff: Steve Shultz (City Engineer), Cassie Stone (Recording Secretary)

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion made by Pattison, to approve the agenda as printed, **seconded by Dowd**.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD: None

BUSINESS:

1. Introduction of new City Engineer, Steve Shultz – Steve handed out last year's CIP (Capital Improvement Projects for Parks) to members to review and give their opinion on listed projects. The CIP process was explained to the board. Rachel Smolinski, City Manager, and Steve both feel like members are under used and would like to utilize the members more in the role of the decision making process. The deadline for the preliminary CIP is the first week of December. Members are encouraged to provide comment via email to Cassie by the end of November. Dowd requested a digital copy of the CIP via email. Steve stated he has been with the City for 23 years and has taken over from Assistant City Engineer to City Engineer since former City Engineer Rich Sullenger has retired.
2. Approval of 2022 Meeting Schedule – Kuznicki requested that February 9, 2022, date gets moved up to February 2, 2022, as he will be unable to attend the meeting.

MEMBER'S COMMENTS:

Kuznicki questioned the status of the repairs on the Blair Street Pier. Steve stated that it is currently out for proposals now. Structurally its sound and we don't need to do anything with it. All deck boards and railing will be replaced. The railing design could change but for the most part its going to look the same. Dowd expressed that he is

interested in the idea of a pump track and would like to meet with Steve to discuss how he could get involved in making that project happen. Steve added that Rachel is looking at revamping the adopt-a-park program by going out to the service groups and trying to get a better handle on who is maintaining what areas. Kuznicki questioned what the status was on the lighting from Eleventh Avenue past the cemetery. Steve stated it is in the budget for this year. The City has to purchase the materials and the deal is between Thunder Bay Electric and John Gilmet and his tree service is to install the lights and wiring there.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Melville- Hall, seconded by Dowd, to adjourn the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:42 p.m. by Chair Kuznicki.