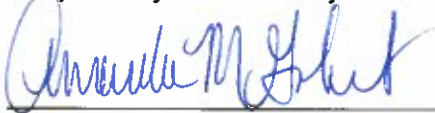


City Of Marquette
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting
Monday July 18, 2022, 5:30pm
Citizens Forum at Lakeview Arena 401 E. Fair Ave

1. Call to Order at 5:35pm
2. Roll Call: Ellen Weingarten (Chair), Andrew MacIver (Assistant Director of Community Services), James Susorney (Vice Chair), Amanda Gobert (Secretary), Tara Laase-McKinney, Lori Hauswirth
3. Approval of Agenda:
 - a. Request to remove item #6—presentation on baseball fields maintenance due to speaker being unable to attend made by Andrew
 - b. Motion made to approve amended agenda by James Susorney, seconded by Tara Laase-McKinney; Motion unanimously approved
4. Approval of Minutes: June 20, 2022
 - a. Motion made to approve minutes as presented by James Susorney, seconded by Lori Hauswirth; Motion unanimously approved
5. Announcements:
 - a. Tara Laase-McKinney will be stepping down from her position on the Parks and Recreation Board due to taking a new position as the Marquette DDA Director.
 - b. Due to Tara stepping down, it has been requested to add membership to the next meeting agenda.
6. Presentation:
 - a. Item removed from agenda
7. Public Comment:
 - a. None
8. Old Business:
 - a. Recreation Vendors on Public Grounds
 - i. Kayak Rentals at Tourist Park
 1. Safety protocols were presented in writing for kayak rental. Ellen Weingarten stated she was pleased to see that the vendor had been thorough in these protocols, per the request of the Board
 2. The business owner will manage all rentals and will look to have regular staff in the for next season. For the remainder of this season, staffing will be "on call," as rentals are placed. As a reminder, the agreement with the business is for 18 months.
 3. City Attorney to review for "hold harmless agreement" to protect city.
 4. Lori Hauswirth suggested we work with business owner to have clear signage that states operation of private business and not affiliated with City of Marquette
 5. Motion to accept proposal to allow business made by Jim Susorney, seconded by Lori Hauswirth. Motion unanimously approved.
9. New Business:
 - a. None
10. Director's Report
 - a. Grants:
 - i. LCWF and Passport grand applications still in review. Supplemental scores are expected in September
 - b. Project update:
 - i. Marquette Playgrounds for All has raised approximately \$1.3 million. A final fundraising push will be made in August, and demolition will begin in September.

- ii. Presque Isle Marina has reopened. Engineered to finish phase 3 and the new anchoring system is underway, with construction expected later this summer.
- iii. Founders Landing construction is underway and is expected to be completed later this summer.
- iv. The Tourist Park Day Use Playground is in design and construction is expected to start later this summer in conjunction with the Kids Cove project.
- v. Hurley Playground is complete and open. Sod has been applied and asphalt has been sealed. The mural on the basketball court is to happen in August.
- vi. Williams Park has been completed. A ribbon cutting will be scheduled for later in July.
- c. Marina Update
 - i. Marinas are open, but revenues are down considerably from previous seasons. Transient traffic has been much lower and fuel sales are minimal due to high prices.
- d. Lakeview Arena
 - i. Preparations are underway for the next ice season. The season will begin early this season due to high demand for travel team ice.
- e. Tourist Park
 - i. Seeing one of the busiest seasons on record for the campground. Most every weekend through Labor Day has no availability.
- f. Light House Park
 - i. Captain's house is completed and open for rentals. There is a private cleaning contract to clean between bookings. Working on an administration policy for events at this location
- g. ORV
 - i. Staff is still working on the language for the agreement that would meet the requirements of the State.
- h. Ballfields
 - i. All fields are open for the season
- i. Additional updates
 - i. Piling project slated to be complete by September
 - ii. South Beach play equipment and bathrooms have been repainted and refurbished by the local IBEW
 - iii. Presque Isle Plant site currently working on environmental cleanup.
- 11. Adjournment
 - a. Motion to adjourn meeting at 5:50pm made by Tara Laase-McKinney, seconded by James Susorney; motion unanimously passed.

Respectfully submitted by Amanda Gobert



Amanda Gobert, PRAB Secretary



Date of Approval