

City of Marquette
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting
Monday, July 19, 2021 - 5:30 p.m.
Citizens Forum at Lakeview Arena

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
 - a. In attendance: Andrew MacIver (city staff liaison), Nathan Larsh, Sarah Bixby, Jim Susorney, Tara Laase-McKinney, Leah Nygard
 - b. Members not present: Matt Luce, Ellen Weingarten
3. Approval of Agenda (Laase-McKinney, Susorney)
4. Approval of Minutes (Laase-McKinney, Susorney)
 - a. Spelling changes: Tara Laase-McKinney, Andrew MacIver (under "roll call")
5. Announcements - None
6. Presentations - None
7. Public Comment - None
8. Old Business
 - a. Dog Park
 - i. Nothing further currently from Andrew; lots of issues with dogs at city beaches
 - ii. A dog beach is problematic with ice formations in the winter and e coli from dog waste
 - b. E-Bikes
 - i. Class 1 E-bikes potentially permitted. Class 1 e-bikes are an e-bike equipped with an electric motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling and disengages or ceases to function when the bike reaches a speed of 20 mph.
 - ii. Speed limits - 15 mph; difficult to enforce
 - iii. Added signage, painting markers (center line and bike lane) all to be included in future discussions
 - c. City Commission Presentation
 - i. Leah to give presentation to city commission in 7/26/21.
 - ii. Motion to approve presentation (Susorney, Larsh)
9. New Business
 - a. Recreation vendors on public grounds
 - i. Policy for controlling private ventures on public grounds to be published

- ii. Policy would create ability for city staff to approve/deny requests from private enterprises (kayak rentals, SUP rentals, parasailing, etc.) and possibly include a fee structure for such requests.
- iii. City staff to work with PRAB and other city committees on specific details regarding policy and application process
- iv. Andrew to bring in existing agreement with Superior Kayaking to next meeting as a viewable example

10. Directors Report

a. Grants Update

- i. A Grant Agreement for Kids Cove has been executed and sent to the State. Sanders & Czapski are working on preliminary designs with the Marquette Playgrounds For All.
- ii. The Waterways Grant application for Presque Isle Marina was successful. Staff are waiting on a grant agreement and solicit bids for design services this summer.

b. Project Update

- i. Founders: Construction on the Founders Landing Piers has begun. The Bike Path has been rerouted along Front St from US 41 to Spring St for the duration of this project. The Founders Boardwalk is also closed during the construction.
- ii. Kids Cove: The consultant is working with staff and the Marquette Playgrounds For All group on preliminary designs. Construction is expected to begin in early 2022.
- iii. Staff are still working with the consultant for plans to build the new playground in the Day Use side of the Tourist Park Campground. Construction is scheduled for later this summer.
- iv. Hurley Playground: Playground equipment is being installed by our DPW. Replacement of the basketball court and the court mural project may be delayed until spring of 2022.
- v. Williams Park: Construction has begun on the athletic courts at Williams. This project is expected to go through August.
- vi. Rink Systems visited Lakeview Arena for preliminary design of the new dasher boards in the Russell Arena.

c. Lakeview Arena/Hockeyville

- i. The ice is out for the season and staff are preparing for the few indoor events left on the schedule.

d. Tourist Park

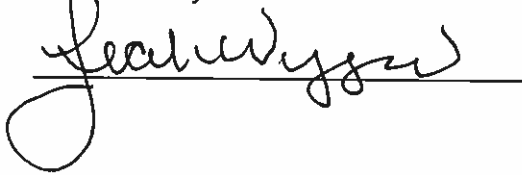
- i. The campground and park have been busy as expected. Revenues are still tracking higher than previous seasons. Staff are noticing issues with sewer backups at the park with un-flushable products. Staff are working on educating the campers about what to flush and the City Sewer Maintenance staff are working to keep the lines clear.

e. Lighthouse Park

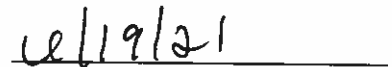
- i. No new updates currently.
- f. ORV
 - i. The State has sent the agreement back with more edits. No timeline on when this will go to the Commission.
- g. Ballfields
 - i. The athletic fields are open for the season.

11. Adjournment (Susorney, Larsh)

Submitted by:

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Date:

A handwritten date "12/19/21" written in cursive script over a horizontal line.