

**CITY OF MAYER**  
**REGULAR MEETING – PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018 @ 6:30 P.M.**  
**CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order

**The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.**

Those present were Park Commissioners, Alisa Johnson, Mike Wegner, Dan Pohl, Troy Congdon, and Elizabeth Butterfield. Also present was City Administrator, Margaret McCallum and Public Works, Kyle Kuntz.

Absent: None.

Also present: Brett Altergott, Representative of Landscape Structures, and Brian Schaeppi, Resident.

2. Approve Agenda

Butterfield added Easter Egg Hunt to the agenda as 4.E.

**Wegner moved to adopt the agenda as amended. Congdon seconded. Motion passed 5-0.**

3. Minutes

- A. December 12, 2017 Meeting Minutes
- B. January 9, 2018 Meeting Minutes

**Congdon moved to approve the December 12, 2017 and January 9, 2018 meeting minutes. Butterfield seconded. Motion passed 5-0.**

4. Business

- A. Archery Discussion

Resident Brian Schaeppi introduced himself to the Commission. He asked if the Commission had ever considered investing in the installation and making available an archery range. He informed that he grew up with the sport and that is a great socialization sport and good for kids. Schaeppi stated that he thought it would be a good addition to the park system and that he noticed in the Park Commission minutes from 5-6 years ago that it was previously discussed.

Johnson informed that she has heard from other residents an interest in an archery range.

Congdon said that the City should work with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources to hold an archery event to see how much interest there is in the community.

Schaeppi said that it is a growing sport and mentioned other neighboring communities with private and public indoor and outdoor facilities.

Butterfield suggested that staff contact the communities and ask them about their facilities and usage.

Pohl asked about the city's ordinance on the discharging of weapons within city limits.

McCallum said that she would have to look into archery.

Kuntz said that in the past, there had also been insurance and liability concerns.

Johnson asked the amount of space needed for such a facility.

Schaeppi provided some details on the space necessary informing that it depends where it is located and that there would need to be a buffer zone.

Johnson suggested the some County land located within the City.

Kuntz also said it could be put in Old School House Park.

## B. Cold Water Crossing - Future Park

McCallum provided an update on the Commission's question regarding if the City would be able to negotiate a park in the Cold Water Crossing Development.

She informed that in the early 2000s, the City did request park dedication fees for the development that went towards Old School House Park. She said that so far, the City has approved up to a seventh addition for the development. McCallum said that she spoke with the City Planner and that the City could still try and ask for park land dedication in future phases.

## C. Flagship Recreation

### 1. West Ridge Park

Flagship Recreation representative Brett Altergott provided magazines and booklets on play equipment. He did a presentation for the Commission that included the current layout of West Ridge Park and possible new inclusive amenities that the Commission could consider adding to the park this year as part of their Capital Improvement Plan.

The Commission agreed to look at their budget and the new equipment options at their next meeting.

2. Splash Pad Discussion

Altergott also had a presentation on splash pads. He provided information from other communities and the potential cost.

The Commission agreed that a splash pad would be a great amenity in the community and that many residents have expressed interest in the City installing one.

D. Picnic Shelter – Old School House Park – Update

McCallum provided an update to the Commission stating that the Council at their recent meeting approved sending it out for bids.

E. Easter Egg Hunt (Added)

Butterfield stated that the Lions Club was interested in having an Easter Egg Hunt at the Community Center with the Park Commission.

The Commission discussed hosting an Easter Egg hunt. Throughout the discussion, it was realized that the local school does a hunt that is open to the public. The Commission decided not to compete with the school.

5. Staff Updates/Comments

McCallum informed that the Public Works Department put the Gaga Pit together and that it would get set up at Old School House Park when the snow melted.

Kuntz informed that a surface may need to be added to the Gaga Pit.

6. Commissioner Reports/Comments

None.

7. Adjournment

**Congdon moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m. Pohl seconded. Motion passed 5-0.**