

City of Falcon Heights Parks & Recreation Commission

AGENDA

City Hall Monday,
April 2, 2018
6:30 p.m.

X Mary Hannon Jacobson
X Walt Dunlap
X Ron Eischen
X Olivia Demerath
X Alyssa Schmeling
X Council Member Leehy
 Staff Tim Pittman
X Staff Tim Sandvik

- Call to Order
- Approval of February 5th, 2018 Minutes
 - Walt motioned, Ron 2nded. Motion Passed.
- 1. Commission Chair Person discussion
 - a. Walt nominated and approved.
- Grant Updates
 - a. Piano in the Park – “Play Your Part” – late May, early June
 - Tried to get artist to meeting this evening.
 - Possible partnership with art teacher from Falcon Heights Elementary
 - How does the commission want to market this?
 - Private partnership
 - With Park Program
 - Social media Facebook – Falcon Heights neighbors
 - Social media Next Door
 - Open event but have someone lined up to play
 - Leehy reached out to local piano teacher about participating along with students.
 - Neighborhood liaisons could reach out to neighborhoods.
- - a. Curtiss Signage
 - Discussion on location/ where to place.
 - Walt offered to walk around the park to look for a location or people walk around individually. Other members of the commission were asked to walk around the park by the end of April and to provide feedback.
- Comprehensive Plan
 - a. Reviewed notes and this will be addressed in greater detail at the June meeting.

- Special Events
 - a. Spring Together
 - May 12, 11am – 2pm
 - Hosted by Community Engagement Commission.
 - Potluck event.
 - Possible bounce house for the kids.
 - Opportunity to volunteer for members of the Parks Commission.
 - Possible involvement of radio controlled flyer club.
 - b. Ice Cream Social/Hot Dog with a Deputy
 - July 19th 5 -7pm
 - Crafts, games, ice cream will be available.
 - Volunteer Opportunity for Parks Commissioners.
- Updates
 - a. Winter Updates
 - Rink at Curtis, longest and most consecutive usage thus far.
 - Discussion about next year and the cost of rental of building.
 - Approx. 500 people used the warming house this winter.
 - b. Summer Programming
 - Registration opened yesterday.
 - Programming will be at Community Park, CTC and Curtis Field.
 - Rec on the Go will be new addition this year.
 - Consists of 3 sessions.
 - Variety of activities will be included.
 - c. Staffing
 - Currently hiring a director/leader that will provide approx. 300 hrs of work time for the summer.
 - Staff will be high school kids, college kids and junior leaders (13 – 15 yr olds)
 - d. Potential Grant Opportunities
 - Looking for opportunities from the Commissioners
 - e. Infrastructure – Short-term/Long Range Planning
 - Need to do a playground audit.
 - Updating wood chips at Curtis? This doesn't create a safety hazard.
 - Potential of installing a half-court basketball court at Curtis field this summer.
 - f. Community Park Building
 - It needs to be updated.
 - The land is leased from the University so discussions with the U will need to occur.
- Other Business
 - a. Leehy Council retreat feedback
 - Each department presented accomplishments and goals.
 - The discussion started on how not to raise taxes for the residents and to find other ways to raise money.
- Adjourn

Meeting ended at 7:42pm.