

CLOQUET PARKS COMMISSION AGENDA

Cloquet City Hall
Monday, August 29, 2022 4:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order.

2. Approval of Minutes. _____

- a. June 6, 2022, Regular Commission Meeting.
(Additions, deletions, or corrections)

3. Announcements, Agenda Adjustments, Correspondence, and Other Comments.

4. Information and Reports. _____

- a. Commissioners Update/Other.
- Public Comments.
Please give your name, and address. Visitors may share concerns on any issue, which is not already on the agenda. Each person will have 3 minutes to speak. The Chair reserves the right to limit an individual's presentation if it becomes redundant, repetitive, irrelevant, or overly argumentative. All comments will be taken under advisement by the Commission. No action will be taken at this time. Public Comments will be limited to 10 minutes per topic or 30 minutes total. The Commission may request an item be placed on a future agenda for further discussion as part of the regular meeting.
 - Malakai Reynolds – Eagle Scout Project at Pine Valley
 - Commissioner Comments/Updates.
- b. Community Ed Report –Erin Bates
- c. City Staff Report – Ross
- Advertising at Mettner Field
 - St. Louis River Bridge Crossing
 - Athletic Pleasure Rink
 - Vandalism at City Parks
 - Maintenance Activities

5. Action Items.

- a. Approval of FDL Trail Agreement
(Discussion and recommendation requested) _____
- b. Approval of Fee Waiver Request - Community Baby Shower
(Discussion and recommendation requested) _____

6. Future Items.

- Next Meeting (**October 3, 2022**)

7. Adjourn.

Regular Meeting.
Parks Commission June 6, 2022 - 4:30 p.m.
Pine Valley

Present: C. Martinson, M. Collins, S. Buhs, T. Krohn, M. Krick
Absent: M. Collins, T. Urbanski, J Badger
Staff: R. Biebl, C. Peterson
Others: E. Bates, K. Kolodge, T. Willette

MINUTES

The minutes of the May 2, 2022 regular meeting were presented. **Motion to approve by Commissioner Krohn and 2nd by Commissioner Martinson, motion carried 5-0.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tom Willette addressed the Commission regarding the possibility of converting additional tennis courts to pickleball due to use. He also inquired about making the courts a reservable feature in the park reservation system. The Commission held a discussion about costs, tennis use and the benefits and issues associated with court reservation. It was noted that the reservation system has limitations, and the Pinehurst courts still see regular use by the school district and others. Mr. Willette was asked if the group would be willing to pay for use if reservations were allowed. Staff to report back at the next meeting with cost estimates for further court retrofits.

INFORMATION AND REPORTS

Commissioner Krohn addressed the group regarding wetland properties adjacent to Pine Valley which are part of the Brenny Dahl and Members Cooperative Credit Union sites. He reviewed tax valuations, sale status and possible uses for the properties. Staff noted the Brenny Dahl site has been on the market for a long time. State and Federal law limits the potential for development of large wetland areas. Members of the Commission may make informal inquiries into these properties, but Councilor Kolodge noted a purchase would not be likely to gain funding given future budget constraints.

COMMUNITY ED

Erin Bates reports the Pinehurst Pond is ready to open in one week. One more lifeguard orientation is to be held with hopes of certifying 8 more guards for the season. This would amount to a total of 19 lifeguards with 6 working at a time. Lifejackets will be required for those 11 and under. An Age-to-Age grant was awarded to purchase a “Raptor Rock” to burry in the sand at the beach, but late delivery mean it will not be installed during the 2022 season.

CITY STAFF REPORT

- Boldt Riverfront Cleanup - Delayed until May but still had approximately 40 volunteers who worked for 3 hours and collected 20 bags of garbage.
- Pinehurst Pickleball E-mail - Staff shared and e-mail requesting pickleball courts for Pinehurst. The School District uses the tennis courts 15-20 time per year.
- Pollinator Garden – The Carlton Soil and Water Conservation is preparing a grant agreement. Work could proceed in the fall if everything is approved. New Pollinator area should reduce regular maintenance needs.
- Pine Valley Wayfinding Signage – Staff reviewed proposed locations/sizes and final changes incorporated at the Commission’s request.
- Park Facebook Page – New site is up and running with Ross and the administrator.
- Maintenance Activities – Pinehurst Pond is full and mechanical system is operational. New part time employee was hired but one of the full-time staff was activated for National Guard duty. Staff thanked volunteers who help with cleanups around Pinehurst and Veterans Parks.

ACTION ITEMS

None

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be held June 27, 2022 - 4:30 p.m. (Dunlap Island Park)
On motion duly carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present, the Parks Commission adjourned.

Secretary



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REQUEST FOR ACTION

To: Park Commission
From: Ross Biebl, Assistant Public Works Director
Date: August 29, 2022

ITEM DESCRIPTION: FDL Trail Agreement.

Proposed Action

Staff recommends the Park Commission **MOVE TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH FDL FOR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE PINE VALLEY WEST TRAIL SYSTEM.**

Background

The City of Cloquet has operated the very popular Pine Valley West Ski Trail for a number of years. In 2013 a portion of the land on which the trail runs was purchased by FDL. Since that time the City has entered into an agreement with FDL for continued use of the property as a ski trail.

The current agreement expired in May of this year. The effective dates of the new agreement are August 15, 2022 – August 14, 2025.

Policy Objectives

Master Plan Policy 7.3: Partnerships with other jurisdictions and non-government entities shall be sought to achieve extensions of the City's trail network.

Financial/Budget/Grant Considerations

N/A.

Supporting Documentation Attached

Land Use Permit Agreement.



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REQUEST FOR ACTION

To: Park Commission
From: Ross Biebl, Assistant Public Works Director
Date: August 29, 2022

ITEM DESCRIPTION: Fee Waiver Request – Community Baby Shower

Proposed Action

Request for a motion to **WAIVE THE PARK RESERVATION FEE AND APPROVE THE USE OF DUNLAP ISLAND WARMING HOUSE FOR CARLTON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH - COMMUNITY BABY SHOWER.**

Background/Overview

Family Home Visiting is a section of Carlton County Public Health. They provide services to all county residents who are pregnant or have a child under the age of two. They provide pack and plays, car seats, car seat education, help to track physical and mental milestones, and provide parenting information, just to name a few.

The goal of the baby shower is to celebrate new mothers and babies. Provide prenatal and parenting education through vendors and “101” style presentation.

They are requesting a waiver of the park registration fee.

Policy Objectives

N/A.

Financial/Budget/Grant Considerations

As a condition of the fee waiver, the City will not provide extra services or incur costs from outside vendors for this event.

Supporting Documentation Attached

None.

LAND USE PERMIT AGREEMENT

This Agreement, by and between the **Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa**, 1720 Big Lake Road, Cloquet, Minnesota 55720 (“FDL”), and the **City of Cloquet, 101 14th St., Cloquet, MN** (“the City”), shall be governed by the following terms and conditions:

1. **Subject Parcels and Purpose.** FDL grants a permit to the City for the use of the following Permitted Property:

Pine Valley Ski Trail located in the South Half of Section 27, Township 49N, Range 17 W. (See Exhibit A, attached.)

The City is permitted to enter upon the Permitted Property only for maintenance and use of a cross country ski trail.
2. **Term.** The term of this Land Use Permit Agreement commences on **August 15, 2022** and continuing through **August 14, 2025**.
3. **Termination.**
 - 3.1 This Land Use Permit Agreement is subject to cancellation by FDL at any time upon written notice.
 - 3.2 The City covenants that at the termination of this Land Use Permit Agreement by lapse of time or otherwise, it shall remove its personal property, restore the Permitted Property to its original condition, and desist entry upon the Permitted Property.
4. **No Rent or License Fee.** The City shall owe FDL no rent or license fee under this Land Use Permit Agreement.
5. **Duties of FDL.** FDL shall allow access to the Permitted Property by the City, its authorized representatives and the general public for the purposes of maintenance and use of a cross country ski trail for skiing, hiking, running, or biking.
6. **Duties of the City.**
 - 6.1 The City shall allow access by FDL and FDL Band Members to the entire Pine Valley Ski Trail at no charge or fee during the life of this Land Use Permit Agreement.
 - 6.2 The City shall not use the Permitted Property at any time for any purpose outside the scope of this Land Use Permit Agreement.
 - 6.3 The City shall not assign, sublet, or otherwise transfer its interest in this Land Use Permit Agreement without the prior written consent of FDL.
 - 6.4 The City shall make no alterations, additions, or changes in the Permitted Property without the advance consent of FDL.
7. **Insurance.**
 - 7.1 **Property Damage.** It shall be the duty of the City and FDL to maintain insurance or self-insurance on their own property, both real and personal. Notwithstanding anything apparently to the contrary in this Land Use Permit Agreement, the City and FDL hereby release on another and their respective partners, officers, employees and property manager from any and all liability or responsibility to the other or anyone claiming through or under them by way of subrogation or otherwise for loss or damage covered by said insurance, even if such loss or damage shall have been caused by the fault or negligence of the other party, or anyone for whom such party may be responsible.

- 7.1 **Liability.** The City and FDL agree that each party will be responsible for its own acts and the results thereof to the extent authorized by law and shall not be responsible for the acts of any others and the results thereof.
8. **Compliance with Applicable Laws; Right to Inspect Sites.** The City shall comply with all federal, tribal or state laws applicable to its use of subject parcels. FDL reserves the right to inspect the subject parcels at any reasonable time to ensure compliance with this section.
9. **Jurisdiction of Fond du Lac Tribal Court.** Any dispute arising under this Land Use Permit Agreement shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Fond du Lac Tribal Court, which shall apply, in its sole discretion, applicable federal or tribal law in the resolution of such disputes.
10. **Trail Maintenance.**
- 10.1 During the summers of this the term of this permit the City may perform minor grading of the trail in order to eliminate irregularities in the existing surface which make skiing difficult. Any disturbed soil requiring restoration will be reseeded.
- 10.2 Prior to the performance of any grading work a member of FDL Resource Management staff will meet onsite to review the proposed scope of work. Any concerns and/or recommendations shall be mutually resolved in writing prior to the actual land disturbance.
- 10.3 The City may mow the trail if needed during the summer. The City may remove trees that have fallen across the trail or are a danger to trail users.
11. **Fond du Lac Land Access Permit.** Users of the Pine Valley ski trail on FDL do not need a FDL Land Access Permit.

FOND DU LAC BAND OF LAKE SUPERIOR CHIPPEWA

Kevin R. Dupuis, Sr. Chairman
FDL Reservation Business Committee

DATE: _____

Robert Abramowski, Secretary/Treasurer
FDL Reservation Business Committee

DATE: _____

THE CITY OF CLOQUET

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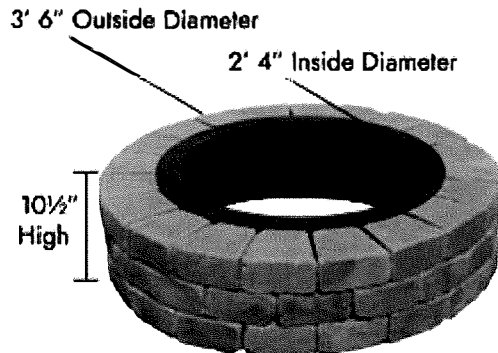
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