

# CLOQUET PARKS COMMISSION AGENDA

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Braun Park Pavilion  
Monday, June 3, 2024 4:30 p.m.

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**1. Call to Order.**

**2. Approval of Minutes.** \_\_\_\_\_

- a. May 6, 2024, 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.*
  - Commissioner Comments/Updates.
- b. Community Ed Report –Erin Bates
- c. Hockey Day Cloquet – Nate Knutson
- d. City Staff Report – Ross
- Pinehurst Playground
  - Mettner Fencing
  - Braun Park Signs
  - Maintenance Activities

**5. Action Items.**

- Approval of Legacy Funding Application  
*(Discussion and recommendation requested)*
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**6. Park Commission Comments/Future Items.**

- Next Meeting (**July 8, 2024 4:30 p.m.**) @ Pine Valley Chalet

**7. Adjourn.**

Regular Meeting.  
Parks Commission, May 6, 2024, 4:30 p.m.  
City Hall

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

### **MINUTES**

The minutes of the April 1, 2024, regular meeting were presented. Motion to approve by Commissioner Badger and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Krick, motion carried 4-0.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jamie & Joseph Johnson who live next to Braun Park presented concerns about trespassing/littering that is happening on their property from Braun Park users. Staff will work on getting some signs in place and will also seek out some quotes for fencing.

### **COMMUNITY ED**

R. Biebl reported on behalf of E. Bates. Community Education received a DNR grant for 5000.00 (Get Outdoors Grant), it will be used to implement a snowshoeing program. 45 families have been selected to receive season passes for the Beach at Pinehurst as part of the aquatics grant. Applications are still being accepted for swimming lesson scholarships funded by the aquatics grant as well.

### **CITY STAFF REPORT**

R. Biebl reported the Riverfront Cleanup on May 4<sup>th</sup> went well with about 11 bags of garbage collected along with many misc. items. The existing playground equipment at Pinehurst was auctioned off and removed by the buyer. Construction of the new playground is set to begin on May 21<sup>st</sup>. Nate Knutson is looking into bringing a "Hockey Day Cloquet" to Veteran's Park this Winter, there will be more information to come. Keith Wiley will be starting full-time in the Parks Department on May 8<sup>th</sup>. The part-time parks maintenance position and seasonal positions are still open. A map of Mettner field was presented with some minor fencing changes. This will be mostly privately funded with a small portion paid for by the city.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

None

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting to be held June 3, 2024 - 4:30 p.m. Braun Park  
On motion duly carried by a unanimous yea vote of all members present, the Parks Commission adjourned.

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Secretary



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### REQUEST FOR ACTION

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To: Park Commission  
From: Ross Biebl, Assistant Public Works Director  
Date: June 3, 2024

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**ITEM DESCRIPTION:** Legacy Funding Application

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#### **Proposed Action**

Staff recommends the Park Commission **MOVE TO RECOMMEND CITY STAFF APPLY FOR LEGACY FUNDING.**

#### **Background**

In November of 2023 the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission (GMRPTC) recognized Pine Valley as regionally significant. This allows the City to apply for Legacy funding for projects outlined in the Pine Valley master plan. Below you will find a list of projects staff is recommending with a brief description.

- Rehabilitation of the 20M and 40M ski jumps.
  - The last study recommends sand blasting and painting to be completed to ensure the longevity of the jumps.
- 2.5K Ski trail LED lighting upgrade
  - Increased maintenance on the lighting and the overall age of the infrastructure is driving this project.
- Additional 5.5K ski trail lighting
  - There is a strong desire for additional lighting with the increased popularity of the trails.
- Parking Lot and Security lighting
  - Parking lot gravel maintenance, stormwater management and security lighting around the parking lot to discourage malicious behavior.

#### **Policy Objectives**

*Park Master Plan Policy 7.1* – Partnerships shall be sought to make unique opportunities available to the community and allow for facilities and programs that would otherwise be difficult to achieve by the city alone. Partnerships might also be pursued to allow the system to expand and take advantage of regional resources.

#### **Financial/Budget/Grant Considerations**

Estimates for the above projects based on the 2021 Pine Valley master plan totaled \$1,030,000. It is important to note that Legacy funding requests favor applications with local contributions to the total cost. Staff is proposing a 20% contribution that will come from the local sales tax option.

#### **Supporting Documents Attached**