



City of Afton

Parks Committee Meeting Wednesday, July 27th, 2022 6:00 PM

Due to the Covid-19 Virus the July 27, 2022 Parks Committee meeting will be held remotely and in person using the Zoom video conference application.

Instructions for Participating in the Meeting Remotely Via Zoom

Options for Joining the Zoom Meeting:

- **RECOMMENDED:** Use your computer, tablet or smart phone to join the meeting by logging on to
 - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88166460857?pwd=TjRpRWovN0UxcjM4NnN2cU13aGFYZz09>
Meeting ID: (881 6646 0857)
Passcode: 354527
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+1 312 626 6799. When prompted, enter Meeting ID: 881 6646 0857

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Approval of Agenda**
- 4. Approval of Minutes**
 - A. Minutes of the June 22, 2022 Parks Committee meeting
- 5. Business**
 - A. Park Dedication Fund Balance
 - B. Town Square Park
 - C. Roadside Cleanup
 - D. Meadow Ridge Pollinator Project
 - E. Pollinator Trail at City Hall
 - F. Bike Trails
 - G. Meridian Volunteers
- 6. Adjournment**

City of Afton Parks Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 21, 2022

6PM

Attendees: Grant Jensen, chair; Jane Tar, Bob Dickie, Julie Zeidel, Ken Johnson, Nicholas Livingston (observing)

Approval of the May meeting minutes

Approval of the Agenda

Business:

- A. **Parks Dedication Fund.** The current balance is \$333,923. There is also approximately \$40,000 for park maintenance as well.
- B. **Meadow Ridge Pollinator Project.** No updates were provided.
- C. **Pollinator Trail by City Hall.** Weeding was done last month. Native trees and shrubs will be added next. Grant will meet with city staff to discuss a plan for mowing. The possibility of having a tour of native gardens, including this trail, was discussed.
- D. **Bike Trails.** This is being worked on. Three different levels will be added: routes for experts, routes for families, and routes for groups.
- E. **Recycling bins.** These will be delivered soon for use in Town Square Park.
- F. **Town Square Park.** This was the primary focus of the meeting, which took place in the park. The bandshell will be painted soon, and other updates will be made. The picnic shelter will be stained as well. The structures should be sprayed for wasps, especially before large events. An enclosure will be built for the cooler that is on site, possibly with room to store tools. The committee discussed upgrades to lightings that would be more pleasing; possibilities include spot lights that bands use for the bandshell, and strings of lights for decoration. The parks committee passed two motions, both of which passed unanimously, as follows:
 - a. To request that all fencing be removed from the ball field and basketball court
 - b. To request that staff collect information about the costs of removing the existing sport ball surface on the basketball court, and the underlying asphalt, and replacing it with a surface that can be painted for basketball and pickle ball.
- G. **Other business.** The committee wishes to recognize the work of our volunteers who maintain our lovely medians.... And will discuss ways to do so at the next meeting.
- H. **Motion to adjourn**

Parks Committee Memo

Meeting: July 27, 2022

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3033 St. Croix Trl, P.O. Box 219
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To: Parks Committee Members

From: Ron Moorse, City Administrator

Date: July 20, 2022

Re: Park Dedication Fund Balance

The Park Dedication Fund balance as of July 1, 2022 is \$334,116.00.