



City of Afton

Parks Committee Meeting Wednesday, November 8, 2023 6:00 PM

Due to the Covid-19 Virus the November 8, 2023 Parks Committee meeting will be held remotely using the Zoom video conference application and in person at the address below:

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/82492724875?pwd=WXI0ejNGUEUxdFozZEdjZmRhWFk0QT09>
Meeting ID: (824 9272 4875)
Passcode: 746975
- Dial-in Number (to call in to the meeting)
+1 312 626 6799. When prompted, enter Meeting ID: 824 9272 4875

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Approval of Agenda**
4. **Approval of Minutes**
 - A. Minutes of the September 27, 2023 Parks Committee Meeting
5. **Business**
 - A. Park Dedication Fund Balance
 - B. Levee Plantings
 - C. Town Square Park
 - D. Hockey Rink
 - E. Committee Meeting Date Change
6. **Adjournment**

City of Afton Parks Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Attendees: Grant Jensen, Angela Tangen, Karen Weiss, Nicholas Livingston, Lori Swanson, Jane Tar; liaisons, Stan Ross, and Ken Johnson

Call to Order

Chairman Jensen called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes by Karen Weiss and seconded Nicholas Livingston.

Items of Business:

A. Tree Donation

Ken Johnson reported that the tree donation project is moving ahead, per the approval of the City Council. The location was discussed, reviewing several options within the Town Square Park. Committee gave Ken the authority to proceed with the planting.

B. Levee Plantings

Grant Jensen reported that the levee plantings application was submitted by the Washington County Conservation district, along with a letter from the Army Corps of Engineers in support of the project. Final decision is anticipated within the next 60 days.

C. Town Square Park

Nicholas initiated the discussion of the ball field and fencing. Consideration for removing the fence and the ball field, planting some perimeter plants.

Committee discussed the development of a master plan for the area. To gather more information, Lori Hanson and Angela Tangen will develop three-five questions for the Committee to review for submission in the November newsletter. Deadline for submission to Ron Morse by October 19, 2023.

Grant will contact Candace and inform her of the status of the project.

D. Hockey Rink

Discussion of hockey rink and warming house tabled for next meeting.

Other Business

- **Committee meeting date change:** Proposed committee meeting date for November 8, 2023. Consideration for moving the Parks Committee meeting earlier in the month to coordinate with the City Council meetings. Proposed the second Tuesday of the month for 2024

for future meetings. Grant will take recommendation to Ron Morse for review and consideration.

- **Mt. Hope Cemetery Tour:** Mt. Hope is a Victorian era (1850s) cemetery that is located in Afton. Stan Ross has offered to host a tour for the Committee scheduled for Thursday, October 12, 5:30 pm.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Lori Swanson and seconded by Jane Tar. Adjourned at 7:30 pm

Parks Committee Memo

Meeting: November 8, 2023

**City of Afton
3033 St. Croix Trl, P.O. Box 219
Afton, MN 55001**

To: Parks Committee Members
From: Ron Moorse, City Administrator
Date: November 1, 2023
Re: Park Dedication Fund Balance

The Park Dedication Fund balance as of October 1, 2023 is \$314,334.00. The accountant has been requested to provide a more detailed report on the Fund on a periodic basis.