

**LOWELL PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M.  
CITY HALL**

**1. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Perry Beachum and roll was called.

Members Present: Perry Beachum, Greg Canfield, Paula Mierendorf and Susan Pomper

Members Absent: Theresa Mundt

Others Present: Rich LaBombard, Mike Minier, Patricia & Richard Marvin, Amanda Rogers and Luanne Wisniewski

IT WAS MOVED BY CANFIELD and seconded by MIERENDORF to excuse the absence of commissioner Theresa Mundt.

YES: 4. NO: 0. ABSENT: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

IT WAS MOVED BY MIERENDORF and seconded by POMPER to approve the agenda adding Old Business b. Unity High School Development Update.

YES: 4. NO: 0. ABSENT: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

IT WAS MOVED BY MIERENDORF and seconded by CANFIELD to approve the minutes from January 15, 2019 as written.

YES: 4. NO: 0. ABSENT: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

**4. REVIEW FINANCIAL REPORT**

By consensus, the commissioners approved the financial report.

5. **CITIZEN COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Patricia and Richard Marvin would like to place a memorial bench in honor of their son, Jeff Marvin, at Riverside Park. LaBombard will contact Liz Baker with the Chamber to help select a location for the bench.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. **COMMUNITY GARDEN-PAULA MIERENDORF**

Mierendorf announced there is a facebook page now for the garden. She would like the public to be able to tag into this page through the City's facebook page. The garden has received 2 grants for 5 raised garden beds and soaker hoses. They have applied for another grant for the remainder 5 plots. Paula will be the speaker at the Chamber of Commerce breakfast July 17, 2019. A spring cleanup week is planned for the 1<sup>st</sup> week of April and an open house for the gardens will be April 26<sup>th</sup>. Throughout the summer Mierendorf plans to contact the Lowell Ledger to run articles on the improvements of the garden.

Beachum mentioned Community Day is Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> and maybe the Community Garden could be included in this event.

7. **OLD BUSINESS**

a. **LOWELL LITTLE LEAGUE-MIKE MINIER**

Minier had talked with Shane Beach with Backyard Dreams and Beach has agreed to give two practice nights up, Tuesday and Thursdays at Recreation Park to Lowell Little League.

Minier stated his contract states that the City is to contribute to the up keep of the ball fields and he would like to submit an invoice for stone dust that has been delivered.

b. **Unity High School Update**

Beachum stated the City and developers were not able to come to an agreement.

8. **PARKS UPDATE**

a. **Recreation Park**

LaBombard mentioned the Rec. Park Committee will have a booth at Lowell Expo, March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

There was a discussion on the repair of the fence.

Amanda Rogers talked about the Girl Scouts having a cleanup day at this park.

b. **Stoney Lakeside Park**

LaBombard mentioned as soon as the weather warms up, the DPW will be replacing the sinks and toilets at this park.

c. **Creekside Park**

No comments were received or discussed on this item.

d. **Richards Park**

LaBombard commented that this park had quite a bit of storm damage and the DPW has been working on cleaning it up. The ice skating arena was not useable much of the winter.

e. **Upper Bridge, Moose/Rogers, Scout Park**

No comments were received or discussed on this item.

f. **Riverwalk Park/Showboat**

LaBombard gave an update on the showboat's progress. Council approved the architectural design March 18<sup>th</sup>.

g. **LARA Trails**

Canfield updated the commissioners on the grants and fund raising efforts.

9. **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

No comments were received or discussed.

THE MEETING WAS ADJORNED BY BEACHUM AT 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Luanne Wisniewski