

**LOWELL PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.  
CITY HALL**

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

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

Members Present: Chairperson Casey Butler, Paula Mierendorf, Susan Pomper, Councilperson Leah Groves

Members Absent: Theresa Mundt,

Others Present: Dan Czarnecki

IT WAS MOVED BY MIERENDORAF, and seconded by POMPER to excuse the absence of board member Mundt.

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

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

IT WAS MOVED BY BUTLER and seconded by MIERENDORF to approve the agenda as written.

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

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)**

a. IT WAS MOVED BY MIERENDORF and seconded by POMPER to approve the minutes from the January 17, 2023 regular meeting.

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

**4. REVIEW FINANCIAL REPORTS**

The financial information was reviewed by the board.

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

None

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

### **a. Review of Park Webpages.**

The City is working to update webpages. Park pages were redone with pictures and additional language. The commission went over the draft webpages for each park. They gave input and made suggestions. Many grammatical errors were found and corrected. Final versions of webpages will be made for inclusion on City's website.

### **b. Use Agreement Review, Lowell Youth Football, Lowell Youth Lacrosse**

The current agreements with Lowell Youth football and Lowell Youth Lacrosse have expired. New draft versions were presented, reviewed, and input given. After final corrections new drafts will be sent to each user group for their approval. When received back they will be brought to the Parks Board for their approval at a future meeting.

## **7. OLD BUSINESS**

### **c. Recreation Plan, Final Review of Draft Plan**

City received approval of the 5-year Recreation plan from MDNR. The email approval was two sentences and said: "The 5-year recreation plan for City of Lowell has been approved until 12/31/2027. The grantee is eligible to submit a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund, Land and Water Conservation Fund and/or a Recreation Passport Grant application."

## **8. PARK UPDATES**

### **a. Recreation Park – Still working with KCYF on building responsibilities.**

### **b. Stoney Lakeside Park/Dog Park/Skateboard Park –**

### **c. Creekside Park – Theresa contacted Playgrounds by Leathers, the company who helped construct Creekside Kingdom. She is working on a LCTV grant to pay the cost to have Leathers come to Lowell and evaluate our playground.**

### **d. Richards Park –**

### **e. Scout Park – 990 N. Washington is out for bid for demolition of the house.**

### **f. Riverwalk Park/Showboat –**

### **g. Miscellaneous Park/Properties (Upper Bridge/McMahan/Moose/Rogers) –**

- h. LARA Trails – Update by LARA: Went over trail layout from Walgreens to Recreation Park. Reviewed project. Looking for start date of mid-summer 2023 with completion spring 2024 (because of need to install large bridge over Lee Creek).

**9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

None

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

IT WAS MOVED BY POMPER, seconded by MIERENDORF to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dan Czarnecki