



PARK & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD AGENDA

BUCKHAM WEST

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24,
2024**

6:00 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Minutes - October 25, 2023
3. Presentation - None
4. Director's Report
5. Requests to be Heard
6. Old Business
 - A. Community Center Update
 - B. Viaduct Park Update
 - C. Playground for Twin Oaks Park at Rice County Housing Development
 - D. River Bend Agreement Update
7. New Business
 - A. Request for a Skate Park
 - B. Great River Greening - Ash Tree Removal Program
 - C. Jen Korbel - New Director at Buckham West
8. Other
9. Next Meeting - February 28, 2024
10. Adjournment

FARIBAULT PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 25, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lola Brand, Sally Kramer, Mike Ross, Troy Temple and Chuck Thiele.
MEMBERS ABSENT: Carrissa Glarner and Chad Kreager. STAFF PRESENT: Paul Peanasky,
Parks and Recreation Director and Denise Hansen, Administrative Coordinator. GUESTS: None.

- 1) Meeting was called to order by Troy at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Lola, seconded by Mike to approve minutes of August 23, 2023, as corrected. Motion passed.
- 3) Presentation: None.
- 4) Director's Report:
 - a) Great River Greening: Paul contacted Great River Greening regarding the grant application he had submitted for trees. The grant dollars Great River Greening received were less than anticipated so they will need to determine distribution amounts to applicants.
 - b) Trees Planted in the City: Paul reported many trees were recently planted throughout the City. Along Second Avenue NW, about 20 trees were planted in the boulevard after the street project was completed. Approximately 36 trees were planted along Fourth Avenue SW through the Boulevard Tree Program. In addition, 42 trees were planted in the parks to replenish trees in the City park system.
 - c) Canvus: A company called Canvus who repurposes old wind turbine parts into parks equipment contacted Paul some time ago. They just reported to Paul that they have raised about half of the funding/sponsorships needed for the City to receive parks equipment.
 - d) Volunteer: Paul asked for a volunteer to help direct families to visit Santa and Mrs. Claus at the Hometown Holiday on November 30th.
- 5) Requests to be Heard: None.
- 6) Old Business:
 - a) Community Center - Task Force Members Update: There are no updates at this time. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 7. Lola suggested inviting Senator Jasinski and Representative Daniels to the November 7th meeting.
 - b) Viaduct Park Update: A meeting is scheduled next week to review 50% completion of the construction documents. The engineering firm expects 100% completion of the documents in December. Plans are to request bids in January and then determine funding.
 - c) Update on Scholarship Boards: At their October 18th Work Session, Council reviewed the request to have the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board administer the three scholarship programs rather than separate three-member boards for each. The request will be taken to the November 14th City Council Meeting for approval.

7) New Business:

- a) Amenities for New Park at Rice County Housing Development: Board reviewed the plans for a new park in the Twin Oaks Residential Subdivision (Rice County Housing Development). Board suggested trees, a small shelter, grill, water fountain and a playground area with a swing, climbing apparatus and slide. Paul will request quotes and bring plans back to the Board to review.

8) Other: None.

- 9) Next Meeting: The next meeting is a joint meeting with the City Council on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, at the Buckham West Conference Room at 6:00 p.m. This meeting is to review plans for a new community center. The Board will not meet in November or December due to the holidays. If a meeting is needed during that time, Paul will call a meeting and notify members.

- 10) Motion was made by Sally, seconded by Lola to adjourn at 6:48 p.m. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Hansen, Administrative Coordinator