



PARK & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD AGENDA

BUCKHAM WEST

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2022

6:00 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Minutes - February 23, 2022
3. Presentation - Farmers' Market - Russ and Donna Bauer
4. Director's Report
5. Requests to be Heard
6. Old Business
 - A. Update on Mill Towns Trail/Northern Links Trail
 - B. Update on Lyndale Trail
 - C. Prairie Park Layout
7. New Business
 - A. Playground Upgrade at Wapacuta Park
 - B. Fitness in Motion Request to Use Central Park
 - C. Update from Tree Board
8. Other
9. Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, April 27, 2022
10. Adjournment

FARIBAULT PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 23, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lola Brand, Sara Caron, Mark Fuchs, Sally Kramer, Mike Ross, Henry Schonebaum and Troy Temple. MEMBERS ABSENT: Chad Kreager. STAFF PRESENT: Paul Peanasky, Parks and Recreation Director, and Denise Hansen, Administrative Assistant. GUESTS: None.

- 1) Swearing in of New Board Members: Mark Fuchs, Henry Schonebaum and Troy Temple were sworn in as Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Members.
- 2) Meeting was called to order by Henry at 6:00 p.m.
- 3) Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Troy, seconded by Lola to approve minutes of January 26, 2022. Motion passed.
- 4) Welcome to New Board Member Mark Fuchs: Paul and Board welcomed Mark to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.
- 5) Farmers' Market Presentation: Donna and Russ Bauer were not present. Paul will contact them to see if they can attend the March meeting.
- 6) Election of Officers:
 - a. Chair: Motion made by Mike, seconded by Troy to nominate Chad as Chair. Motion passed.
 - b. Vice Chair: Motion made by Lola, seconded by Sally to nominate Troy as Vice Chair. Motion passed. Troy continued leading the meeting.
- 7) Director's Report:
 - a) Ice Rinks: Outdoor ice rinks will likely be closed next week due to weather and temperature. Indoor ice rink will close the second week of March.
 - b) Fleckenstein Bluffs Park: Paul spoke with Brian from the Rice County Historical Society and he knows the Fleckenstein family. Brian indicated the family may be interested in coming to Faribault for the grand opening of the park.
 - c) Roof Project: Roof repairs at the Community Center and Library will start in March. Paul will get a schedule showing the timeline of repairs for each section of the roof.
 - d) Maintenance Engineer Position: Council approved hiring David Schwichtenberg as maintenance engineer. He will start in March.
 - e) Basketball Hoop Replacement: Community Center basketball hoops will be replaced in March. This project was delayed due to the backorder of parts.
 - f) Community Center Floors: Paul stated he is trying to schedule refinishing the locker room floors at the same time as replacement of the basketball hoops. The gym and racquetball court floors will be refinished in June as that is the earliest the contractor is available.
 - g) Community Garden: Dick Houston, on behalf of the Rotary Club, contacted Paul regarding a permanent location for a community garden. Paul indicated the community garden was located on a city-owned lot near the intersection of Willow Street and 17th

Street SW but that was sold for development. Paul asked the Board for suggestions. Board discussed various parks such as Maple Lawn Park, Garfield Park, Prairie Park, White Sands Dog Park/Trail Head and Seabury Park. Board also mentioned the old Lockerby's site if it is not developed or sold. Mark indicated some cities use multiple areas and suggested that might be a possibility. Paul will review possible locations with Keith Walker, Parks Superintendent, and discuss again with Dick Houston before bringing back to the Board for discussion.

8) Requests to be Heard: None.

9) Old Business:

- a) Mill Towns Trail/Northern Links Trail: Next summer, the DNR is constructing a mile of trail south out of Dundas. Also, Senators Jasinski and Daniels are both supporting a bill that will including funding to build the section of trail in Faribault connecting North Alexander Park to Hulett Avenue.
- b) Lyndale Trail Update: Paul reported the trail from Townsquare Lane south to Highland Place is currently in the design process. Another section of this trail will be located on the west side of Lyndale Avenue from 7th Street NW to Townsquare Lane and will cross Lyndale Avenue by Townsquare Lane. These two sections will be bid as two separate projects. Paul stated the trail from 7th Street NW to Townsquare Lane will be located in the ditch and this is also a snowmobile route so we will have to work with the snowmobilers to dedicate trails for different uses. Lola complimented the Parks Department on keeping the trails clean this winter.

9) New Business:

- a) Large Chair Location: Board discussed locations to install the large Adirondack chair built by the Parks staff someplace in the city. Paul stated they are currently looking at placing it at North Alexander Park, possibly with the river as a background, or by the Aquatic Center so it is more visible to the public. It was previously discussed moving the chair to various locations but Parks staff stated moving it could damage the chair. Natural rocks will be placed by the chair as steps to access the seat of the chair.
- b) Arts Council and SEMAC Grants for Concerts in the Park: Parks and Recreation received \$15,500 in grant money for the 2022 concerts in the park so Brad is booking some great bands for this summer's series.
- c) Playground Upgrade at Waupacuta Park: Paul will bring playground proposals to the March meeting for the Board to review.
- d) Viaduct Park – Committee Member: Elsie had asked to stay on the Viaduct Park Committee even though she is no longer on the Parks and Recreation Board. Paul stated the Parks and Recreation Board can select whoever they want to represent them on the Committee. Sally and Elsie were previously selected to serve on the committee. Board agreed to continue to have Sally and Elsie on the committee even though Elsie is no longer on the Parks and Recreation Board. The next phase for the park will be to select and hire a firm to assist with development of the park in regards to amenities, costs, construction schedule, etc.

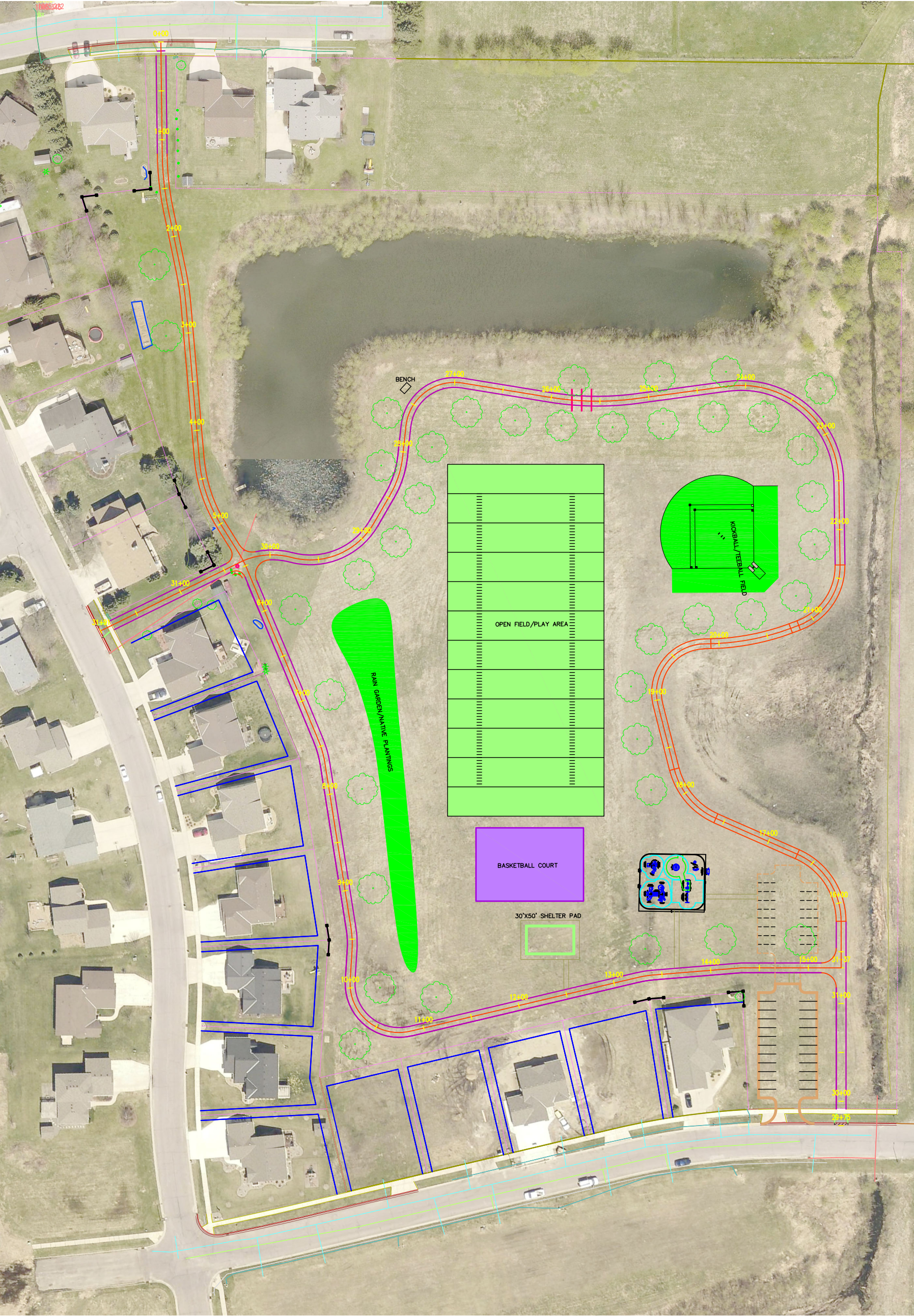
10) Other: None.

12) Next Meeting: Due to conflicts on Wednesday, March 23, the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 30, at Buckham West.

13) Motion was made by Lola, seconded by Sara to adjourn at 6:35 p.m. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Hansen, Administrative Assistant

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Waupacuta Park (Option 1) Faribault, MN



Waupacuta Park (Option 2) Faribault, MN

