

**LOWELL PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2017, 6:00 P.M.
CITY HALL**

1. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m. by Perry Beachum and roll was called.

Members Present: Nancy Anderson, Perry Beachum, Greg Canfield (6:08) and
Paula Mierendorf

Members Absent: Susan Pomper

Others Present: Rich LaBombard, Scott Fosburg and Luanne Wisniewski

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

IT WAS MOVED BY MIERENDORF and seconded by ANDERSON to approve the agenda adding to Old Business (a) Stoney Lakeside Playground Equipment, (b) Kent County Youth Fair Contract and to New Business (a) Stoney Lakeside Composition Cut for Schneider Manor and (b) Grants.

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

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

IT WAS MOVED BY CANFIELD and seconded by ANDERSON to approve the minutes for September 19, 2017 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

No comments were received or discussed on this item.

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. Stoney Lakeside Playground Equipment

Bob Rogers is looking into replacing the Teeter Totter with a children's picnic table.

b. Kent County Youth Fair Contract

LaBombard commented that the City would like to add to the contract an exit plan for the fair. This would insure that the City was not left with any expenses such as tearing down buildings.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. **Stoney Lakeside Composition Cut for Schneider Manor**

LaBombard explained Schneider Manor is looking to put an addition on and is inquiring about a "Floodplain Composition Cut" possibly at Stoney Lakeside Park to compensate for the loss of wetlands. This would be three times as big of a cut as King Milling requested. LaBombard and Fosburg walked the land and thought the area southwest of the Skateboard Park might be beneficial to the City. This would open up the view and accessibility to the Lake.

b. **Grant**

Mike Burns will be writing a grant for the Park Commissioners regarding the need for ADA drinking fountains at Creekside and Stoney Lakeside Parks.

A MOTION WAS MADE TO have Mike Burns, City Manager, write a grant for the LOOK Fund requesting two (2) wall mount and two (2) pedestal drinking fountains for Creekside and Stoney Lakeside park with the Park Committee's share not to exceed \$2,000.

IT WAS MOVED BY CANFIELD and seconded by MIERENDORF to approve up to \$2,000 for drinking fountains for Creekside and Stoney Lakeside Park upon being awarded the LOOK Grant.

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

8. **PARKS UPDATE**

a. **Recreation Park**

Mierendorf commented on the campers running down the grass driving to the rustic campsites.

Fosburg informed us the scoreboard will be going on the auction site.

b. **Stoney Lakeside Park**

Arbor Board will be donating a couple trees for the skateboard park to help provide shade.

James Carey has been out looking for donors to help with the dog park expenses and at this time has not had much success.

c. **Creekside Park**

Arbor Board will be planting trees at this park, location to be determined by DPW.

Mierendorf will be planning a garden cleanup day in the next couple weeks.

d. **Richards Park**

No comments were received or discussed on this item.

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

Spring of 2018 a sign will be placed at Scout Park.

f. **Riverwalk Park**

Arbor Board will be placing a Crimson Maple Tree by the new chess board in honor of James Hodges years of service to the City.

9. **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Anderson informed the commissioners she will not be seeking to be reinstated to the Parks Committee. She has served six years and her last meeting will be December 19th.

Beachum would like to see the park commissioners have vest or jackets so the commissioners would be recognized by the public. This would be helpful to receive suggestions and comments from the public.

THE MEETING WAS ADJORNED BY BEACHUM AT 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Luanne Wisniewski