

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
Park and Recreation Commission Members
FROM: Bill Waller, City Administrator
DATE: March 22, 2017
RE: Meeting Minutes
March 21, 2017

The La Crescent Park and Recreation Commission met at 5:30 p.m., on Tuesday, March 21, 2017, in the Conference Room at the La Crescent City Hall. The following members were present: Jon Steffes, Diana Adamski, Eileen Krenz, and Sarah Wetterlin. Commission members Randy Dobbs, Mike Limberg and Sue Howe were not in attendance. Also in attendance was Bill Waller.

1. It was the consensus of the Commission to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2017 Park and Recreation Commission meeting as presented.
2. The Commission conducted a teleconference with Jason Valerius and Sarah McDonald from MSA regarding the proposed new hotel and event center that would be built on the American Legion property, with a portion of the parking for the development being constructed on Veterans Park property. The Commission reviewed three conceptual plans for the park, and selected option 3 as the preferred alternative, and recommended modifications to the plan. MSA will revise the conceptual plan, and provide an updated copy for review by the Park and Recreation Commission at a future meeting.
3. The Commission reviewed alternatives regarding the replacement of the playground equipment at John S. Harris Park. It was the consensus of the Commission to recommend approval of the purchase of a Landscape Structure swing set and slide from Flagship Recreation in the amount of \$10, 221.70. The equipment would be purchased through the Minnesota State Contract, and would be installed by City maintenance workers and volunteers. It was suggested that the color theme for the structure be blue and green.
4. The Commission was updated on the Tree City USA designation, and reviewed a tentative schedule for the Arbor Day celebration planned for April 28/29.
5. The Commission was updated on the status of a number of improvement projects, including the following: the wagon wheel project and the canoe/kayak access at Blue Lake. The Commission was informed that the City has received a \$1 million transportation alternatives program grant from the Minnesota Department of Transportation towards the third phase of the wagon wheel improvement project.
6. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:35 p.m.

