

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members  
Park and Recreation Commission Members  
FROM: Bill Waller, City Administrator  
DATE: November 20, 2019  
RE: Meeting Minutes  
November 18, 2019

The La Crescent Park and Recreation Commission met at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, November 18, 2019, in the City Council Chambers at the La Crescent City Hall. The following members were present: Jon Steffes, Mike Limberg, Sarah Wetterlin, and Diana Adamski. Commission members Randy Dobbs and Eileen Krenz were not in attendance. Also in attendance were Cheryl Jostad, Paul McLellan, Jeff Henthorne and Bill Waller.

1. It was the consensus of the Commission to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2019 Park and Recreation Commission meeting as presented.
2. The Commission was updated on the plan to replace the playground equipment at Veteran's Park. The Commission was informed that the La Crescent Rotary Club has committed \$5,000 and the La Crescent Lion's Club has committed \$10,000 towards the project, and both organizations along with the La Crescent Chamber of Commerce have agreed to assist with the installation of the equipment. The Commission was informed that two grant applications were approved that total \$19,500 in additional funds towards the purchase of the new playground equipment. The Park & Recreation Commission recommends that the City Council proceed with the purchase of the playground equipment for Veterans Park.
3. The Commission discussed the possibility of acquiring property adjacent to Abnet Field and the La Crescent Community Arena as a potential site for outdoor skating/hockey and pickleball courts.
4. The Commission discussed the potential trail connection from Eagles Bluff Park to the Winona County Apple Blossom Overlook Park, and Paul McClellan from the Outdoor Recreation Alliance discussed support for trail building activities.
5. The Commission was updated on the status of the following projects: the stages of the Wagon Wheel project, the replacement of the bleachers at Abnet Field and Veteran's Park, added park signage to new City park facilities, the helicopter at Veterans Park, that the City's Bird City application has been approved, the dog park, and a proposed new shelter at Veterans Park.
6. Jon Steffes reviewed with the Commission the need to replace the log at the Aquatic Center that is used in the log rolling program. The Park & Recreation Commission recommends that the City Council proceed with the purchase of a new log that includes training fins and instructional materials in the amount of \$2,350.

7. It was agreed that the next Park and Recreation Commission meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at 5:30 pm.
8. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m.