

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members  
Park and Recreation Commission Members  
FROM: Bill Waller, City Administrator  
DATE: February 10, 2022  
RE: Meeting Minutes  
February 8, 2022

The La Crescent Park and Recreation Commission met at 5:30 p.m., on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, in the City Council Chambers at the La Crescent City Hall. The following members were present: Jon Steffes, Paul McLellan, Sarah Wetterlin, Diana Adamski, Linda Gasper, Maseray Bangura, and Patti Martell. Also in attendance were Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner, Chris Fortsch and Bill Waller.

1. Brief introductions were held.
2. It was the consensus of the Commission to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2021 Park and Recreation Commission meeting as presented.
3. The Commission was informed that an updated packet was being provided at the meeting, as the final pages in the preliminary recommendations were not included in the materials that were distributed by e-mail in advance of the meeting. It was also discussed that given the volume of material for consideration, that a March meeting of the Park & Recreation be held, which would be an additional meeting that was not included in the original schedule for the project.
4. Becky Binz and Dan Schmitt from MSA were in attendance at the meeting via Zoom to review the preliminary recommendations, draft master plan, and priority worksheets relating to the update to the City's Comprehensive Park & Recreation Plan. The draft plan for Crescent Valley Park, John S. Harris Park, Valley South Park, Abnet Field, Frank J. Kistler Memorial Park, Old Hickory Park, Veteran's Park, and the North End Park were reviewed and discussion followed regarding items to add to and remove from each of the draft park plans. It was agreed that the preliminary master plans for Eagles Bluff, Vollenweider/Vetsch/Stoney Point, Horsetrack Meadows, and Wieser Park would be reviewed at the March Park & Recreation Commission meeting.
5. It was agreed that the next meeting of the Park & Recreation Commission would be Tuesday, March 29, 2022, at 5:30 pm., at City Hall.
6. The Commission was informed that the meeting with the local youth sports organizations went well, and that moving forward a similar meeting would be held each year.
7. The Commission was informed about a local business that is interested in sponsoring a fund-raising event for improvements to the ballfields at Abnet Field, and that a meeting has been scheduled with the business and La Crescent Youth Ball.

8. The Commission was provided an update on the donations that the City has received for a new park shelter at Wieser Park.
9. Information was provided to the Commission about the Lions Club Frozen Apple Hike that is planned for February 12, 2022.
10. There being nothing further to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:08 pm.