

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the meeting of the Brainerd Park Board was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Board President Shipe.

Upon roll call, the following board members were noted present: Miller, Rushmeyer, Schaefer, and Shipe. Member Yeager was noted as absent.

Also noted as present, Mayor Badeaux and Public Works Director/City Engineer Dehn.

Board President Shipe opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Approval of Agenda

MOVED AND SECONDED BY MEMBERS MILLER AND SCHAEFER, DULY CARRIED, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

Approval of Consent Calendar

MOVED AND SECONDED BY MEMBERS SCHAEFER AND MILLER TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon roll call, Members Miller, Rushmeyer, Schaefer, and Shipe voted "aye". No Member voted "nay". The Chair declared the motion carried.

New Business

Approve Contract Award- Mississippi Riverbank Restoration and Habitat Improvement Project

Paul Sandy, WSB, stated that there were three bids received for the project. WSB is recommending Minnesota Native Landscapes in the bid total of \$195,740 plus alternate 1 for \$11,000 for a total of \$206,740. There is about \$300,000 left of the LCCMR funds for construction costs.

Chair Shipe asked about concerns with construction utilizing this bidder.

Mr. Sandy had no concerns with the company.

MOVED AND SECONDED BY MEMBERS MILLER AND RUSHMEYER, DULY CARRIED, AWARD THE PROJECT TO AWARD THE BID TO MINNESOTA NATIVE LANDSCAPES IN THE TOTAL OF \$206,740.

Approve Final Pay Request- Lyman P. White Park Project

Paul Sandy, WSB, stated that the contractor will be providing a maintenance bond to the City that will cover any warranty items over the two-year period following acceptance. The total amount of the project would be \$2,672,421.35, \$2,119,608.09 is attributed to the park, and \$552,813.26 is attributed to the East River Road reconstruction that is not covered by the LCCMR funds.

MOVED AND SECONDED BY MEMBERS MILLER AND RUSHMEYER, DULY CARRIED, TO APPROVE THE FINAL PAY REQUEST FOR THE LYMAN P. WHITE PARK PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$62,001.

Public Forum

Parks Chair, Shipe opened the Public Forum at 4:10 PM.

Wayne Harting, 14184 Wonderland Park Rd, stated that he has talked to members about the Ski Loons and wants to keep apprised of the issue.

Public Forum was closed at 4:11 PM by Chair Shipe.

Staff Reports

Public Works Director Dehn stated that he attended the presentation at APWA that he, Mr. Sandy, and the Mayor presented on Lyman P. White Park. The maintenance staff is out doing winter work, the temperatures are very sensitive. They have started work on ice rinks. Pond Hockey registration and Warming House Attendant applications are open. The hiring process for the Recreation Specialist staff is hoping to extend an offer later this week. The hiring of the Administrative Specialist for Public Works has been accepted. They will start on December 20th. There are 95% plans for the ARPA projects that have come in, he has not had time to review plans yet.

Chair Shipe asked about the RPZ was tested at Lum Park. He also asked about the hole in the ground in the middle of Gregory Park that he thinks BPU is working on.

Public Works Director Dehn stated that it is used to prevent backflow and contamination from the campground. He will follow up with BPU about the hole.

Board Reports

Member Rushmeyer asked about poop bags in Gregory Park for dogs. He has seen many people let their dogs poop and not pick up after their dogs. He talked about putting an open forum in the paper regarding the matter. He also asked about a sign but knows that people don't read the current signs.

Chair Shipe stated that Triangle Park has been inundated with dog poop as well.

Member Schaefer is glad that the Buffalo Hills sign is about to fall over, she is glad its on the 2024 capital projects.

Adjourn

MOVED AND SECONDED BY MILLER AND RUSHMEYER, DULY CARRIED, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 4:19 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Toni Gage, Administrative Specialist

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