



**CITY OF SAINT PETER, MINNESOTA  
AGENDA AND NOTICE OF MEETING**

Regular Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting of May 16, 2016  
7:00 p.m. following Tree Advisory Board Meeting  
Public Works Conference Room  
405 W. Saint Julien Street

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 21, 2016**

**IV. VISITORS**

A. Scheduling of Visitor Comments on Agenda Items

B. General Visitors Comments

**V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. Review Parks Master Plan

B. Walking trail around Hallett's Pond Natural Resource Area – Update

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

A. New Parks Discussion (attached document)

1. Traverse Green Subdivision

2. City/School Park

**VII. REPORTS**

A. Chairs Report

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B. Department of Recreation and Leisure Services Update

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C. Department of Public Works

1. May 12<sup>th</sup> – Hallett's Pond Public Meeting

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**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Director of Public Works  
Pete Moulton

## CITY OF SAINT PETER, MINNESOTA

### MINUTES OF THE PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

Tuesday, March 21, 2016

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the City of Saint Peter Parks & Recreation Advisory Board was conducted at Public Works Office, Conference Room.

A quorum present, Board Chair Lee Alger called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. The following Board Members were present: L. Lee Alger, Steve Alger, Mike Bidelman, Jeff Brand, David Hoehn, Mike Meffert, Larry Potts and David Ringler. The following Board Members were absent: Charles Burgess, Ryan Kupcho and Mike Looft. The following ex-officios were present: Pete Moulton, Director of Public Works, Jane Timmerman, Recreation & Leisure Services Director.

Visitors present: Tim Mayo, Maintenance Superintendent. Chuck Wenner, Kim Gibson and Mike Boomgaarden of Bulldogs Youth Hockey.

**Approval of Agenda** – Steve Alger made a motion, seconded by Mike Bidelman, to approve the agenda. With all in favor, the agenda was approved.

**Approval of Minutes** – Larry Potts made a motion, seconded by Mike Bidelman, to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2015. With all in favor, the minutes were approved.

**Visitor Presentations** – Chuck Wenner, Kim Gibson and Mark Boomgaarden of the Bulldog Youth Hockey presented to the Advisory Board an update within the last year. They shared that hockey participation has gone up 45% and currently in 2016 there were 234 players. They are still able to keep costs low and provide equipment to younger kids. They have two annual fundraisers to keep registration fees lower than surrounding area. They would love for more ice time in St. Peter for less traveling all around. They would be able to fill every weekend during hockey season with a tournament or even practices.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

- A. There was no unfinished business to discuss.

#### **New Business**

- A. **Review Parks Priorities:** Jefferson, Levee, Riverside Park – Mill Pond, Stones, Warren and Hallett's Pond were all reviewed by the Advisory Board and look to be up to date with priorities.

#### **Reports**

##### Chair Update

1. **Field House/ Ice Arena** – Lee Alger presented the exploration of a field house/hockey arena along with other activity additions for the City. He reported that he had discussed his ideas with people at the Chamber of Commerce and at the College, as well as at the High School, and he will continue to work on the project.

##### Recreation & Leisure Department Updates

1. **Rink Report** – Jane Timmerman shared with the Advisory Board that the rinks were only open 30 days. A report will be emailed out the group comparing to the previous year.
2. **Youth Club** – Jane shared with the Advisory Board that a Somali family would like their children to be more involved within the community and soccer. The problem discussed was that soccer fields are not available early enough in the Spring for kids and young adults to start practicing. The Board understands the issue and discussed the use of the

hockey rink at Veterans' Field, which would require reinstallation of artificial turf, but might help meet the need.

3. **Summer Programs** – Brochures have been mailed out and programs will begin earlier this year with school getting out the end of May.

Department of Public Works Update

1. **Upgrade Sand Volleyball** – Pete shared with the Advisory Board that the Parks Department will be taking out all the old sand and replacing with finer sand for summer league.
2. **Association Meeting** – A letter went out to all associations for a meeting that will be held on March 22 at the Community Center. Pete asked for a couple of Advisory Board members to be present.
3. **New City Park adjacent to the new High School** – Pete shared with the Board that the updated maps. He also shared tentatively what will be in place for ball fields.
4. **Hallett's Pond** – This was covered through the review of Parks priorities.
5. **Boulevard/City Trees** – Tim Mayo shared with the Board the trees that had been removed over the last year and what will be re-planted. Lee Alger asked when we could have a Tree Advisory Board meeting as it has been a couple of years. This will take place at our next monthly meeting in April.

**Adjournment** – Mike Meffert made a motion, seconded by David Ringler to adjourn the meeting. With all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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L. Lee Alger, Chair

ATTEST:

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Larry Potts, Recording Secretary

Note: Secretary signs when approved at next meeting, whether or not secretary was at the actual meeting. Chairperson attests to the signature.

## New City Parks

<b>New School and City Park Sports Complex</b>
Hilltop Sports Complex
Shooting Star Sports Complex
Bluff Hill Sports Complex
Saints Park & Sports Complex
Saints Sports Complex

<b>New Subdivision Park - Traverse Green</b>
West Ridge Park
Traverse Park