

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

December 6, 2023

The Merrill Parks and Recreation Commission met on Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at 4:15 p.m., at Merrill City Hall.

Members Present: Kyle Gulke, Chad Krueger, Joan Tabor, Mark Weix, Rebecca Rutkowski, and Jean Ravn

Members Excused Absent: Dan Novitch

Department Staff Present: Dan Wendorf and Dawn Smith

***Motion by Ravn, seconded by Rutkowski to approve the minutes from the November meeting.

***Carried unanimously.

***Motion by Weix, seconded by Tabor, to approve the claims from November.

Wendorf stated there was an error for Cintas. The amount should be \$128.85 not \$1,028.85.

***Carried unanimously.

Public Comment: none

The next item on the agenda was a final update on 2024 budget. Wendorf stated that all budgets are approved for 2024. Wendorf also stated the capital items that were not approved will be rolled over for next years budget consideration.

The next item on the agenda was updates on Lincoln County ARPA requests. Wendorf stated he meet with the county administrator and there is no answers on anything yet. Wendorf did state that they were very interested in the MAPIT app. Wendorf also stated that for the shelter at the city forest, they would like more of a four season shelter. Wendorf is looking into different options. Wendorf stated that he will continue to update the commission.

The next item on the agenda is to consider names for connector trail (trail connection Prairie Trails to River Bend Trail.) Wendorf stated that a decision does not need to be made tonight but just would like the commission to start coming up with some ideas. Wendorf did hand out some ideas, just giving the commission something to think about.

The next item on the agenda was monthly reports. Wendorf asked if anyone had questions. Wendorf stated that he would like to thank all employees, sponsors, Park and Recreation commission, all departments, and City Council for everything this year.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 7, 2024 at 4:15 p.m. at the Merrill City Hall.

Public Comment: none

***Motion by Weix, seconded by Ravn to adjourn at 5:55 p.m.

***Carried unanimously.

Dawn Smith
Recording Secretary