

**MINUTES - UNAPPROVED  
OWATONNA PARK AND RECREATION  
REGULAR PARK BOARD MEETING  
June 14, 2021  
4:30 PM**

Members Present: Gina McGuire, Sara Baird, Greg Posch, Angie Malo, Jon Thiel,

Absent: Jonathan Douglas, David Christianson

Staff Present: Jenna Tuma: Senior Director of Parks and Recreation, Jesse Wilker: Recreation Manager, Mary Jo Knudson: Administrative Specialist

**OPENING BUSINESS**

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call: Greg Posch – Present, Angie Malo – Present, David Christianson – absent, Jonathan Douglas – Absent, Jon Thiel – Present, Sara Baird – Present, Gina McGuire – Present

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Motion by Angie Malo, second by Jon Thiel to approve the June 14, 2021 Park Board Meeting Agenda. All members voted aye for approval.

**APPROVAL OF THE May 10, 2021 MINUTES**

Motion by Gina McGuire to approve the May 10, 2021 Park Board Meeting Minutes with the second by Sara Baird. All members voted aye for approval.

**PERSONS WISHING TO APPEAR-**

- a. None

**PARK PERMITS**

- a. Sunrise Yoga – July 9, 2021 at Lake Kohlmier  
Motion by Angie Malo, second by Jon Thiel to approve the park permit. All members voted aye for approval.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Project updates
  - i. We All Play: Jesse Wilker provided a project overview and timeline. The project is scheduled to be completed by July 10. Concrete sidewalks and pour in place was recently installed. Angie Malo covered a shift to watch the pour in place and was in

charge of keeping public off the surface. She spoke with several park users while watching over the park. Several patrons reported to Angie that there was excess trash near the basketball court and the park users suggested adding additional signage.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Maintenance Equipment Overview: Jesse Wilker provided a site tour of the maintenance shop. He talked about the equipment and work plan for parks. He provided background information about the responsibilities with Government Buildings and Golf operations in addition to the Parks.

## **COMMUNICATION**

- a. Director's Report: Jenna gave an update about the starting of the budget process. Staff is busy working on getting a solid plan in place for 2022.
- b. Thomas Gorycki was introduced as the new Recreation Supervisor and he provided a short intro to his background.
- c. Next month's meeting will be at the River Springs Water Park for a behind the scene tour.
- d. Staff Report- NA
- e. Board Member Report

Greg Posch: Gopher Sports donate \$1000 for equipment for the Borrow Box program and for Tennis.

Angie Malo: none

Jon Thiel: none

Gina McGuire: Would like a Department Org Chart with staff names so she can understand who does what work.

Sara Baird: Suggested wayfinding signage for Kaplan's Woods as well as an update on Google Maps as it directs them to her home.

- f. Announcements
  - i. In the News
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      - 1. Weekly Owatonna People's Press articles: <http://ci.owatonna.mn.us/Blog.aspx?CID=3>
      - 2. Owatonna Live Straight Talk (Dani Licht was guest): [Straight Talk \(owatonnalive.com\)](http://owatonnalive.com) – aired 5/18

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Gina McGuire with a second by Jon Thiel to adjourn the Park Board Meeting. All members present voted aye for approval.

The next board meeting will be on July 12, 2021 at 4:30pm at the River Springs Water Park