

HUNTLEY PARK DISTRICT
Board Workshop Minutes
April 12, 2023

Commissioner Wold called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Commissioners present: Keith Wold, Melissa Kellas, Jerry Nepermann, William

Staff present: Scott Crowe and Wesley Peete

Committee of the Whole: Keith Wold; Chairperson.

Executive Director, Scott Crowe gave an update that the Strategic Master Plan is entering its final stages. A draft will be presented to us by next week and our consultant will be onsite to present the Draft Strategic Master Plan at the Board Meeting on April 26. If additional questions or discussion is needed, Neelay will be available at the May 10 Workshop for that conversation. The final document would be presented to the Board on May 24 for final approval.

Executive Director, Scott Crowe gave an update regarding the Decennial Committee and that at least two residents need to be appointed in addition to the Park District Board of Commissioners and the Executive Director. This committee must be formed no later than June 10, 2023, as such the board will be presented with a resolution in May to form the committee. Once the committee is formed, the District has 18 months to complete the report including several required Public Meetings. The Board Directed the Executive Director to come up with a list of candidates for the committee.

Executive Director, Scott Crowe updated the Board on a recent discussion he had with the Huntley Historical Society regarding future planning and use of the Sun Valley Farm. The board directed the Executive Director to keep working with the Huntley Historical Society to see if there are comparable facilities nearby that we could model after, inquire about financial resources to contribute toward initial project design and cost estimates, and to gain a better understanding of how many people support something like this.

An update was provided by Executive Director Crowe and Parks and Facilities Director Wesley Peete regarding the replacement of the Stingray Bay water features for the 2024 season. Staff was directed to continue to research options and costs of amenities that are more similar to what we have now within the current budget.

Executive Director, Scott Crowe, gave an update to the board about the transition of the property from the developer and the Park District of Coach's Park. Also dates of ribbon cutting were discussed and a consensus was reached to have the Ribbon Cutting on Tuesday, June 27 with a rain date of June 29. Parks and Facilities Director, Wesley Peete, gave an update on the specifics of the location of the commemorative bricks and trees would be

located. Staff will move forward to begin selling commemorative bricks will all proceeds, over direct costs, being donated to the Huntley Park Foundation.

Executive Director, Scott Crowe gave an update to the Weiss Park site plan and the OSLAD Grant Application process which will be guided through the services provided by Hitchcock Design group. A meeting was held with Hitchcock Design Group earlier today (April 12) to continue the process. We are on track to apply for the grant between July 1 and August 31 this year.

Executive Director, Scott Crowe, gave an update to the board about upcoming ADA Transition Plan Public Input Meeting which would be held on Monday, April 17 at 6:00p where staff will seek input on ways to make our parks and facilities more accessible to the community. This is the final step in completing the ADA Transition Plan.

Executive Director, Scott Crowe, gave an update on the Kiley Park Renovation Project including an upcoming Public Input meeting to be held on Monday April 17 at 7:00p where staff will seek input from community members on the design of the park. A park concept will be presented to the board at the April 26 Board Meeting for approval so renovation of the park can begin shortly after approval. Parks and Facilities Director, Wesley Peete, gave an overview to the Board of the site and the preliminary plan to update the amenities there.

Executive Director, Scott Crowe, presented the draft of the new Mission, Vision, and Values to the Board which is part of the Master Plan Adoption scheduled for May 24. After some discussion, consensus was reached on the proposal. This will be presented to the Board for adoption at the April 26.

Motion to adjourn the Board Workshop at 9:19 PM was made by Commissioner Awe and seconded by Commissioner Nepermann.

Voice Vote - All ayes, Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Crowe
Secretary of the Board

Signature on file

Scott M. Crowe, Secretary Date