City of St. Paul Park  
Parks & Recreation Commission  
March 14, 2019  
7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call for Attendance
   - Andy Cison, Chairperson
   - Sharon Ornquist, Secretary
   - Charlene Whitbred Hemmingson
   - Cindy Domeier
   - Micah Bender
   - Chelsie Bowker
   - Open
   - Bruce Zenner - Council Liaison
   - Tony Flandrich – Public Works Representative

3. Approval of the February 14, 2019 meeting minutes

4. Agenda Items:
   A. Help pull weedy invasive plants at riverside Park, May 9, 2019 at 6-8 pm
   B. Girl Scout Project
      - Donation of games for warming house & Summer rec Program
      - Donation box at City Hall
      - Craft Project for Art & Garden Event
   C. Discuss changes to 2019 Summer Rec Program changes
   D. Donation of the Heritage Park Playground
   E. Bunco night recap—February 22
   F. Confirm Carbone’s Fundraising event – April 15
   G. Glow-in-the dark sledding recap – February 15
   H. Bunco Night – March 22
   I. Art & Garden Event- May 18 (discuss change in date)

5. Parks Update

6. Open Discussion
CITY OF ST. PAUL PARK
ST. PAUL PARK, MINNESOTA

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES—February 14, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Those present:
- Andy Cison, Chairperson
- Sharon Ornquist, Secretary
- Charlene Whitbred-Hemmingson
- Cindy Domeier
- Micah Bender
- Chelsie Bowker

Also present:
- Tony Flandrich, Public Works Liaison

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:
Motion by Ornquist, second by Bender to approve the January 10, 2019 minutes. Motion carried 6-0.

PARK UPDATE:
Tony Flandrich informed the Commission that little work has been done in the parks. The Public Works Department efforts are being concentrated on snow removal.

Public Works will try and clear the snow from the ice rink for Presidents’ Day weekend. Presidents’ Day will be the last day the warming house will be open. The Commission suggested that the warming house remain open for two more weeks, weather permitting.

AGENDA ITEM:

A. Adopt-A-Park
The Commission held their annual Adopt-A-Park kickoff event, which was lightly attended. The following parks have been adopted for 2019:
- Abdella—Cindy and Brian Domeier Family
- Dingle—Dingle Family
- Lions Levee—Discovery Community Church
- Sittlow—Cub Scout Pack 83
- Axelrod—NOT ADOPTED
- Heritage—NOT ADOPTED
- Riverside Park—Scout Troop 83
- Veterans—No Knots Professional Massage & Bodywork
- Whitbred—Whitbred Family

B. Bunco Night
The next Bunco Night is set for Friday, February 22 beginning at 7 p.m. at Heritage Park.
More donations have been received from Mister Car Wash, Planet Fitness, Ace Hardware and Park Grove Bowl.

C. Bunco Night Recap—January
Held on January 25, 2019 with 24 attendees. Six prizes were awarded. Donors were: Ultimate Martial Arts, Dan Dingle, Lori Wouf-Hairitage Salon, Crave, and Andy Cison.

D. Carbone’s Fundraiser
The Commission suggested the date of April 15 for the Carbone’s Fundraiser. 20% of purchases will be donated to the Parks & Recreation Commission. The Commission is asked to help bus tables for an hour anytime throughout the day. Char will confirm date.

E. Glow-in-the-Dark Sledding Event
The Glow-in-the-Dark Sledding Event has been rescheduled for Friday, February 15 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. There will be a bonfire, free refreshments of cookies and cider, glow necklaces while supplies last, and pizza and water for sale.

The Commission will serve cookies and cider. (Thanks to our donors: SuperMom’s for 150 cookies. Hy-Vee for 3 cases of apple cider. Holiday Gas stations for the cups).

The Commission will sell pizza by the slice ($2) and water ($1). It was suggested that four pizzas will be delivered at 5:30 p.m. and four more at 6:30 p.m. Thanks to Carbone’s Pizzeria.

The Commission is need of the following from Public Works:
- A path plowed from the Fire Station Parking lot to bottom of hill.
- A path to the bonfire area (community garden)
- Two picnic tables
- Several trash cans
- Several barricades
- Generator

Andy will begin set up at 2:30/3:00 p.m.

F. Eagle Scout Projects Update
- Hockey Rink--The Commission was updated on the Eagle Scout project of the repair of the hockey rink in which the project has been revised to include the construction of a chalk score board for the hockey rink. Bartl Hardware donated 20 gallons of the paint.
The Commission was excited about the addition of the chalk scoreboard and suggested that the scoreboard be attached to the hockey rink to ease maintenance around the rink.

- Garden Bed & Benches--Chairman Cison is ready to have the materials delivered for the community garden beds and benches. Due to the excessive amount of snow, the Boy Scouts will give Andy a one week notice for delivery of materials.

**OPEN DISCUSSION:** None

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

**Important Dates:**
- February 15 (5:30-7:30 p.m.)—Glow in the Dark Sledding Event
- February 22 (7 p.m.)—Bunco Night
- March 22 (7 p.m.)—Bunco Night
- *April 15—Carbone’s Fundraising Event (Tentative)*
- May 11—Installation of Garden Bed (Boy Scout Project)
- May 18—Art and Garden Event

**Agenda Items:**
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Next meeting—March 14, 2019 at 7 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted February 29, 2019 by Sharon Ornquist, Commission Member*
Below is information about the event:

**Help pull weedy invasive plants at Riverside Park • Thursday, May 9, 2019 • 6-8 pm**

Join Friends of the Mississippi River (FMR) on Thursday, May 9 from 6-8 pm for a volunteer work night at St. Paul Park's Riverside Park. This site provides much-needed habitat and resources for local critters of all kinds and serves as an oasis along the Mississippi River flyway for migratory birds.

Alongside FMR staff, volunteers will focus on clearing out pesky weedy invasive plants, primarily narrowleaf bittercress and garlic mustard. These plants spread quickly and infest the forest floor, outcompeting native species and decreasing local biodiversity.

We'll provide the tools and training. All are welcome however, capacity is limited and registration is required. To learn more and register, visit [https://fmr.org/events/2019/05/09/help-pull-weedy-invasive-plants-riverside-park](https://fmr.org/events/2019/05/09/help-pull-weedy-invasive-plants-riverside-park).

Thank you for your time!

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**Friends of the Mississippi River**

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**Shipping Event:** Feb 15, 2019

**Parking Night:** Feb 22, 2019

**Address:**

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