



Parks and Recreation Board Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday, August 8th, 2023

5:30 p.m.

Virtual and In Person at Auburn Community & Event Center

- I. Call to Order 6:01pm
Attendance: Chairperson Michael Hassen, Matt Jennings, Peter DiTuri, Mike Palko-Dean were present. Park Planning & Development Manager Thaniel Gouk, Museum Director Rachael McAllister and Administrative Assistant Alexa Bragg were the staff in attendance
- II. Minutes
August minutes were approved, with one change to Michael Hassen's name
- III. Committee Member Input
Matt Jennings updated about the Community Garden on 8th st. There were 101 plots sold
Matt Jennings talked about language barriers at the Community Garden
Matt Jennings talked about beautifying the garden
- IV. Correspondence/Public Input
- V. Old Business
- VI. New Business
Katie Helton has stepped down as a board member
Park Planning & Development manager Thaniel proposed a metal detecting ordinance
Board members motioned to approve taking Metal Detecting ordinance to council
Board members viewed OPMA video
- VII. Department Report
Thaniel informed the board members of a grant received from NRPA for \$50,000 for replacing trails at Auburndale park
In addition to the grant funds, the parks department will receive a new mower from the local Bobcat dealer Peak Machinery
No update from PROS plan consultant
Postmark Center for the Arts is entering Phase 2 of the grant



Museum Director Rachael gave a presentation regarding summer camps at the museum. The camps were titled Living History and Naturalist. Rachael also informed the board members of upcoming events such as LUSIO Lights and Hops & Crops Brew Fest.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 pm.