

**PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION
CITY OF RAMSEY
ANOKA COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

The Ramsey Park and Recreation Commission conducted a regular meeting on February 8, 2024, at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

Commission Members Present: Chair Nathan Barten
Vice Chair Brandon Sis
Commissioner Todd Arts
Commissioner Shane Bennett
Commissioner Megan Ealain
Commissioner Jennifer Leistico
Commissioner Dean Olson

Also Present: City Council Liaison Debra Musgrove
Parks & Assistant Public Works Director Mark Riverblood
Recreation Coordinator Abby Proulx

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Barten called the Park and Recreation Commission meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. CITIZEN INPUT

None.

3. APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Olson, seconded by Commissioner Bennett, to approve the Park and Recreation Commission meeting agenda, moving item 0 to Item 6.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Barten; Commissioners Olson, Bennett, Arts, Ealain, Leistico, and Sis. Voting No: None. Absent: None.

4. APPROVE MINUTES

4.01: Approve Park and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Leistico, seconded by Commissioner Sis, to approve the following Park and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes:

- Park and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes date January 11, 2024

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Barten; Commissioners Leistico, Sis, Arts, Bennett, Ealain, and Olson. Voting No: None. Absent: None.

5. COMMISSION BUSINESS

5.01: 2023 Photo Contest Review

Recreation Coordinator Proulx explained how the winning photos are used and presented the proposed winners for the 2023 Photo Contest in the categories of landscapes of Ramsey, wildlife of Ramsey, parks and trails, life in Ramsey, and the grand prize winner.

Motion by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Sis, to affirm the 2023 Photo Contest winners.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Barten; Commissioners Bennett, Sis, Arts, Ealain, Leistico, and Olson. Voting No: None. Absent: None.

5.02: Recreation Program Review and Update

Recreation Coordinator Proulx presented a brief recap of the 2023 recreational programming. She also highlighted some of the programming coming in the next few months.

6. COMMISSION/STAFF INPUT

Parks & Assistant Public Works Director Riverblood reported that the skating season began late and has already been finished because of the warm temperatures. He provided a brief review of the short season. He noted that the Central Park numbers were higher during that short period most likely because Ramsey Elementary was not flooded this year. He stated that staff did not receive any complaints about the Ramsey rink not being open.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Arts, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Barten; Commissioners Bennett, Arts, Ealain, Leistico, Olson, and Sis. Voting No: None. Absent: None.

The Park and Recreation Commission meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark Riverblood
Parks & Assistant Public Works Director

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