

Rogers Parks and Recreation Commission
Minutes
April 17th, 2024
Noon at Rogers City Hall
301 West Chestnut St.

ROLL CALL:

Greg Lindley, Betty Evans, Shawn Lee, Mendy Fisher, Paul O'Rourke, Christhian Saavedra, David Hale

ACTION ON MINUTES:

Motion by Evans to approve March minutes as presented, second by Fisher/Lee. Approved.
Unanimous Voice Vote

PUBLIC FORUM:

No public comments

REPORTS:

David Hook: NWP update – Ready to go. Games scheduled to start 4/22. Temporary fencing to come down Monday morning. First tournament over the weekend. Maintenance building is a couple of weeks behind schedule.

Kent Laughlin: Roadway items to be addressed for NWP.

Centennial park updates complete but bathrooms aren't open yet due to door hardware issue. General trail updates: Working with J&L and Parks Dept. on trail replacements. Blossom Way section of Railyard Loop at 26th Street area of concrete needs replaced and will be done before next weekend. Trail realignment in works for sidewalk connection from Heritage HS to the Railyard Loop, timeline TBD. Working on city wide crosswalk stripping needs/package to bid out later this summer. Trail of Two Cities long term detour roadway project open for bids. Turtle Creek trail section close to reopening. Resurfacing for Bike Lane project underway. 13th & Poplar roundabout is progressing. Road closure extended down to Oak St. for local traffic. The detour gives the opportunity to relocate electrical lines and road shifting that will accommodate a trail from Walnut to New Hope that will tie into the 13th bike lane project.

*Positive comments on permanent detours from social media by riders on the trails.

Kara King: Trail count update. Counter out last year that may have skewed numbers – Overall count still up from last month & year. Railyard Loop route gaining lots of attention, is very popular, weekend rides are up. Update on scheduled cleanups, spring tree giveaway and arbor day tree planting event.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business – will start discussing future park needs again in near future as part of old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business

ANOUNCEMENTS:

Staffing for Aquatics looking good, new staff training to start soon. Opening for Memorial Day weekend, closed the following weekdays and then open for the summer starting June 1st.

Lots of desire for field space by smaller schools, clubs and traveling teams specifically for soccer, baseball and softball for game play and practice.

ADJOURN:

Meeting was adjourned by Lee at 12:25pm