

# Agenda Minnetonka Parks & Recreation Board

Wednesday, September 4, 2019

7 p.m.

Minnetonka Community Center – Council Chambers

## **P**arks & Recreation

### **Board Vision**

A city with outstanding parks and recreational opportunities within a valued natural environment.

### **Board Mission**

The mission of the Minnetonka Parks & Recreation Board is to proactively advise the City Council, in ways that will:

- » **Protect & enhance Minnetonka's natural environment**
- » **Promote quality recreation opportunities and facilities**
- » **Provide a forum for citizens interested in our parks, trails, athletic fields and open space**

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
  - \_\_\_ James Durbin
  - \_\_\_ Chair Nelson Evenrud
  - \_\_\_ Chris Gabler
  - \_\_\_ Elena Imaretska
  - \_\_\_ Ben Jacobs
  - \_\_\_ Cynthia Kist
  - \_\_\_ Chris Walick
3. **Report from Staff**
4. **Approval of Minutes**
  - A) August 7, 2019
5. **Citizens wishing to discuss items not on the agenda**
6. **Business Items**
  - A) **Summer Programming Report**
  - B) **Consideration of Gray's Bay Marina Slip Fees**
7. **Park Board Member Reports**
8. **Information Items**
9. **Upcoming Park Board Agenda Items**
10. **Adjournment**

## **Minutes of the Minnetonka Park Board Meeting of August 7, 2019**

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### **1. Call to Order**

### **2. Roll Call**

Park Board members in attendance included James Durbin, Chris Gabler, Elena Imaretska, Ben Jacobs, Cindy Kist and Christopher Walick. Excused members included Chair Nelson Evenrud. Staff members in attendance included Kathy Kline, Kelly O'Dea and Sara Woeste. Excused: Chair Nelson Evenrud.

Vise Chair Kist called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

### **3. Approval of Minutes**

Kist mentioned that she adjourned the April 3, 2019 meeting.

Jacobs moved, Gabler seconded a motion to approve the meeting Minutes of April 3, 2019 as amended with Kist adjourning the April 3, 2019 meeting. All voted "yes". Motion carried.

### **4. Citizens Wishing to Discuss Items Not on the Agenda**

None.

### **5. Business Items**

#### **A. Opus Placemaking Project Update**

Assistant Recreation Director, Sara Woeste reported on the Opus placemaking project update.

Asakura Robinson's Project Manager for the Opus Area Placemaking, Zakcq Lockrem, explained that this project started in the spring with a needs assessment. This was used to find out more about current and future use of the area. They wanted to focus on the data side of things and do some substantial public outreach with residents and employees within the study area. Currently, the concept plan section is where we are and heading into the process of the implementation plan. Work is expected to extend a little bit into September.

The presentation is focused around three main concepts that we have been thinking through in terms of the ways we want to address some of the issues we have seen through our research and the public engagement.

1. Connect across neighborhood boundaries, between pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular networks and to public transportation stations.
  - a. Trail and Transit Disconnect
    - Trails are often disconnected from bus routes; wayfinding information is limited or absent
    - Trails lack vertical connections to roads and other destinations

- Trails lack visibility from roads; roads lack access from trails
  - Roads are not pedestrian or bicycle friendly
  - Lack of wayfinding information
- b. Trail and Building Orientation
- Many building entrances are not oriented towards the trail
  - Orientation away from the trail and lack of wayfinding information limits trail access
- c. Commuting Inflow/Outflow
- Only 62 people both live and work in Opus
  - 11,428 people commute to Opus from outside the area
  - 1,265 people live in Opus and commute to work outside the area
2. Articulate neighborhood and trail network entrances, directions and place-based information with a clear hierarchy of wayfinding signage.
- a. Community Engagement
- Engagement boards, walking tours and intercept surveys generated input from people living and working in Opus
  - Employees and residents enjoy the natural setting of Opus, particularly the ponds, trees, and wildlife, as well as the trail system
  - Improvements to trails and wayfinding topped the list of desired new amenities
- b. Design and Visual Preferences
- Landscape: natural and manicured
  - Site furnishings: rustic
  - Wayfinding signage: rustic
- c. Connections and Extensions
- Develop branded trail loops
    - Incorporate “Olympic Rings” theme of existing roadway systems
    - Encourage wayfinding
    - Aid in both passive and active programming
  - Widen selected trails where use is expected to increase
3. Support social, interpretive, restorative and recreational activity in central spaces and defined trail nodes.
- a. Where People Are
- Employment is clustered in the east and south
  - Residential areas are clustered in the north and west
  - Colored circles represent census blocks
  - Employment is clustered in the east and south
  - Residential areas are clustered in the north and west
  - Colored circles represent census blocks
  - Spectrum from passive to active programming
- b. Program and Activity Preferences

- Programming: Both passive and active elements (leaning towards active)
  - Activities: Both cultural and recreational
- c. Program Type and Location
- Top five recreational: canoe/kayak/paddle, exercise station, sand volleyball, mountain bike course and playground equipment
  - Top five other: restrooms, amphitheater, picnic shelter, grill and dog park

Imaretska asked for more details on who they spoke to and what they did for the engagement piece. She was wondering how they are thinking about the needs of residents that are not currently living there.

Lockrem explained they have had a four pronged approach on engagement so far.

1. One-on-one conversations with more active stakeholders such as Metro Transit.
2. Active set of outreach around employees in the area.
3. Formal tour and walking tour with condo owners in the area.
4. Intercept surveys during the day and evening to talk to employees and residents in the area.

Generally with the types of units that are being put in place have 1.7 people per unit. It is usually something like a 60/40 split in terms of fairly recent college graduates and empty nesters in these sorts of buildings. There are also .8 dogs per unit typically in these buildings. If there are 1,000 new units you are probably getting 900 dogs that are going to be new to the area. The potential for a dog park in the area is a very big thing.

Jacobs asked if current businesses are aware of the trails and what the current usage of the trails looks like.

Lockrem replied that it is pretty significant in a lot of businesses. However, United Health Care probably is the one that has taken the most ownership around the trails. They have a lot of wellness programs and they do monthly trail walks where several hundred of their employees participate. There are some issues with invasive species that we want to try and help with but there is also a lot of opportunity for things like green infrastructure, permaculture and edible landscape. Potentially, residents could be willing to take an active role in helping maintain some of those.

Jacobs asked if they looked much into the Three Rivers Park District trail system or the Nine Mile trail system. A lot of his friends are runners or bikers and he asked them if they have ever been in Opus or connected there and they did not know it was there.

Lockrem said there are missing connections to those systems and recommendations would be made on how to get there. One challenge is that Hopkins is to the north, Edina is to the east and Eden Prairie is to the south. Any connections that happen out of this or are connecting to the trail systems would go through adjacent communities. A portion of funding for this study as well as some of the management in terms of our stakeholder group is coming from Hennepin County. Having them as a partner will hopefully help

facilitate that. Can people take the train to the station and get to the park easily are questions we want to see answered.

Walick questioned if there have been any concerns with the stakeholders or people that did not want change.

Lockrem replied that they have not heard negative feedback. Most comments are around natural aspects or preserving the area. Largely he thinks people have been very excited about this. Residents are concerned about the proximity of the train to their condo.

Imaretska likes the idea of using the train as a point of entry. She would like us to use this opportunity to highlight Minnetonka and entice people to explore the whole city. Imaretska loves how they are thinking about what that space could look like and how it could educate people through wayfinding or specific trails that connect to Lone Lake.

Lockrem thinks there is opportunity for large scale public art around the station. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) no longer allows that when you are doing the platforms, however, there is plenty of space around there for it. Lockrem likes the idea of having a tunnel when coming off the train and seeing something right away to greet you. It could be very strong in helping brand your identity.

Durbin mentioned that people on the train usually ride with their head down unless there is something exciting to look at or something worth getting off the train for. Making Opus an entertaining space will draw people in. Durbin thinks the challenge with Opus is this dichotomy between the daytime, Monday – Friday population and the weekend and evening population because they have completely different needs. The people who work at Opus are walking the trails to get a little exercise. It looks like the housing is spreading out and dispersing through multiple parts of Opus. This is futuristic planning and making sure we are building something for the next set of people moving in and making sure they are in proximity to these amenities.

Lockrem answered that they have been meeting with some of the developers and discussing what big things are going to be happening. The redevelopment of these sites with the new buildings and the light rail really shifts the center of gravity to the center. We are trying to think about how to help define the relationship between built form and the trail and the recreational system. They are trying to switch the relationship of the front door (roadway/parking lot) and the back door (trails). This switch is done by having buildings that are being built oriented so the parking lots are in the back of the house and the railway and trails in the front of the house.

Durbin said there is a 2040 Opus plan and the vision of rezoning and redeveloping has to be hand in hand in what we are doing. Things have to be placed in a strategically correct place and he thinks we cannot design the park without knowing that key question or it is going to be done wrong.

Lockrem responded to think about a phasing kind of approach. If you want parking in an area, do you take a space that is currently a parking lot because it can be done quicker or wait until redevelopment is happening so it could be in a more adventurous spot.

Durbin commented that Opus is a great idea but then the execution lacked some details such as things facing the wrong direction.

Lockrem explained that he thinks the trail experience is actually the experience they were hoping people would have.

Imaretska mentioned that Lockrem said most people living in the condos would be retired, empty nesters and young adults just out of college. Would this be a family/kid friendly area or how should we think about this.

Lockrem responded that it is highly unlikely that you are going to get a major population of kids living in the area. It does not hurt to have places that are kid friendly in a lot of different context. With empty nesters you might get a weekend kid population and there should be opportunities for kids to play. It should be kid friendly. There are spaces in there that are for childcares and similar things so you could have a daytime child population.

Imaretska asked what types of businesses would create that sense of community. What should the area feel like or what kind organizations or businesses would it attract?

Lockrem says that some companies are there because it is less expensive than being downtown. It will continue to be less expensive than downtown but there is potential to be significantly more expensive due to the light rail connection. One of the things we have seen a lot in the U.S. when we have been looking at retailing commercial mix is that companies are shrinking. It is much more common for smaller companies now and we have also been seeing less square feet per employee. People have been moving to squeezing in more people into smaller spaces. In terms of types of buildings, there are more shared amenities. In terms of what that does to Opus, right now you have this fairly interesting mix of buildings types, some of them may be remodeled from Class B into Class A at some point in the future. Probably as more residents continue to move into the area, a desire for more entertainment based amenities like restaurants will be a good pull here. There would be both the daytime/lunch traffic and the potential for evening traffic. If we are able to make the trails towards some of those restaurants, there is potential for nice formal outdoor seating areas.

Durbin responded to the family friendly spaces comment Lockrem made earlier and the thinks it all depends on what developers build. If they build two bedroom apartments, they are never going to get families there.

Lockrem says that the land values are such in this area that you are unlikely to get much. It has to be either very high-end townhouse, single family or it has to be multi-family.

Imaretska commented that not only people living in Minnetonka will use this. We should be thinking about what is missing in Minnetonka or how we can attract people to use the area and support the businesses.

Lockrem replied that one of the top things people talk about is kayak/canoe/paddle. That type of amenity is already close to that area. Does pointing people to already existing

spaces become a key part of our wayfinding? Meaning, not necessarily replicating things that are already nearby but trying to get people to move that mile to get there instead.

Durbin expanded on Lockrem's comment saying to give them the trail or the connection.

Lockrem responded that they could have recreational loops with different activities and have that be part of the wayfinding even within these spaces. There are some interesting ways that we might actually find those programmatic elements to be wayfinding elements as well.

Imaretska questioned if people asked for mountain biking.

Lockrem replied that there were 25 votes for mountain biking. There are different types of cyclists that they could potentially accommodate different types of user experiences for within the area.

Imaretska likes how they are thinking about the trail and how it interacts with the buildings or the businesses. Currently there are huge parking lots and she feels uncomfortable riding her bike there. However, it is a neat concept if there is an entrance from a trail.

Gabler asked if there is any investment offered from the businesses in the area because an amenity like that becomes a great way to retain employees.

Lockrem responded that they have not quite got there yet. However, he thinks there is a high level case that they will likely make in the report. It is something captured by the city and can be brought forward in the future. A business improvement district or a tax increment district relating to this within this area. Potentially make that a large enough circle so that you are able to devote some of those funds to your larger park spaces.

Imaretska commented that this is a part of bigger Minnetonka. Maybe think about things that are missing or what people need. Looking at our facilities and recreation opportunities; activities such as walking/running are high on the list as well as a dog park.

Kist commented that a dog park has been a park board issue since before she came on the park board.

Lockrem said one of the advantages of the way this place is right now is that there is not a strong residential constituency right next to anything. There are real opportunities that actually come from being able to use a space like this for that.

Durbin said that rental properties tend to have shorter-term populations. People are going to possibly live there for two to five years. If there is going to be 800 dogs, they are going to need a place to go.

Lockrem said some of the new buildings have a private dog run for convenience, however, they also like the more social larger space.

Jacobs responded that some places do have dog areas but they are tiny.

Woeste asked Lockrem to talk about where they are at with the next steps.

Lockrem gave the following update on what they are doing and what is upcoming:

- Conversations about real estate in terms of what areas might be a big park.
- Mapping the missing trail segments that are needed to complete these loops as well as the outside of the area.
- Working on typical cross-sections for the trails and the different loops.
- Working with our sub-consultants WSB on beginning to define the look of the street furniture furnishings.
- Moving conversations forward about programming and defining the specific kind of character of each one of these and how it relates back to the larger program within those areas.
- During the next round or final round of engagement we are looking at different ways of testing different wayfinding solutions.
- Looking at the preference of things. For example, would people rather have a five minute walk or a quarter mile walk?
- Looking at how well the color pallet works in terms of ground stenciling, etc.
- Getting some of the tactical things out in advance of the United Health Care's walking event in order to do intercept surveys and talk to people about it.
- Talking about doing a programmatic element. The recreation department has a truck of games so potentially using that.
- Talking about doing a permaculture class or something similar with existing residents to talk about some of the opportunities for maintenance, etc.

Kist asked if they will be making a public presentation when the final report gets submitted to the city.

Lockrem was unsure and nothing is specifically spelled out yet.

Woeste replied that the delivery of the final product has not been discussed yet, however, the park board will see it another time along the way. Today, we wanted to make sure you liked the direction it is going and to get feedback if there is anything missing.

Imaretska liked that they are doing testing and asked them to think about testing with diverse points of people instead of only United Health Care.

Lockrem said they will probably try to do some more intercept surveys at other times.

Imaretska suggested that they reach out to the senior advisory board to get more feedback.

## **6. Park Board Member Reports**

Imaretska spent a little bit of time in Bulgaria and Berlin recently and she was really impressed with a new park and development which they had created in one of the neighborhoods. It used to be more industrial with kind of a subway that was above ground.



They built a couple of new breweries and beer gardens in a more modern style instead of a traditional German style. One of the beer gardens featured a sand area for the kids and they had lawn chairs around it. The kids could play while the parents enjoyed a beer. That was connected to a park that had a mixture of green spaces and some softer cover with built-in trampolines for kids. There were also hills that were used for skateboarding and for running around. Also, a breakdancing club in the middle of nowhere. It was an amazing, vibrant sense of community that people were enjoying. Both residents and tourists were enjoying it. We saw it from the train and it reminded me of this project. We saw the activities from the train and it made us want to go back and explore.

Walick reported that it was nice to see so many people out for Night for Neighbors. There were a lot of people using the local residential parks.

Durbin commented on the following:

- Shady Oak Beach – he was there once and the water level was too high. He's predicting a disappointing yearly report.
- Summer Fest - was the best thing he had ever been to and thought that we could not have done it any better. He saw so many people, everybody wanted to come to Summer Fest and that is exactly the kind of thing we want to see.
- Lawn mowing in the parks – the last few years he has noticed that the grass is not getting mowed as frequently and the grass is really high. When the grass is mowed it looks like we are ready to bale hay.
- Gro Tonka – he was there a few days ago and around the impromptu baseball field you could see concentric rings and that part of the park was not even being used. He was trying to think of reasons why people aren't using that part of the park. Is it because of the long grass or was the park not built the right way. If some of these really large parks are not filled with kids and families when the weather is nice, should we be thinking about why they are not being used. They are such a great asset to the city. Durbin thought this was an opportunity for us to improve a little bit.

Imaretska said her son's preschool went on a field trip to Oak Hill Park's splash pad in St. Louis Park. It was amazing because it is very inexpensive to go and the area was all encompassed. The splash pad was just some sprinkling things but kids loved it and it was perfect for summer. If we find out that there is underuse of some of these bigger parks, something outdoors like that would potentially attract use and kids.

Woeste responded that they are hoping to put some sort of water feature at Ridgedale but it is not the same. Splash pads are popular and do come up in public comment.

## **7. Information Items**

### **Pickleball**

Woeste noted that there are eight new courts and they opened mid-May. A grand opening and ribbon cutting took place on June 13 in the evening. About 40 people attended. On Saturday, June 22 the first tournament took place and it went well. Another tournament is scheduled for this weekend. Some free clinics for all ages were offered and are filling up. The shade structure was installed.

Durbin commented that the pickleball courts are fantastic. They are professional and top of the line. Durbin asked how many people are using these on a daily basis.

Woeste said the largest group comes in the morning between 7 – 10 a.m. Over 40 people at a time has been reported. They have wait times but not very long and not all day. In the afternoon about three courts are used. During the evening, there is another crowd and the courts are well used.

#### **Plymouth Trail Grand Opening**

Woeste mentioned that a grand opening is tentatively planned depending on when the construction is complete. The hope is to do some bike roll stroll from Ridgedale to the Burwell Park area.

Jacobs requested a Monday or Wednesday night so the run club could potentially attend.

Woeste asked what time they run and Jacobs responded at 6 p.m.

#### **Mountain Biking**

O'Dea explained that mountain biking is scheduled for the August 26, 2019 city council meeting. The city council will review the mountain biking trails plan and vote to approve or deny moving forward with it.

#### **Fall Registration**

Fall program registration opened this past Tuesday. Priority registration for aquatics and tennis was last week. In the first week, there were almost 1,300 registrations. This was the second highest in the last five or six years. Many classes filled quickly. Eight different senior yoga classes filled up in the first 20 minutes. Although online registration is encouraged, a lot of seniors register in-person for these programs.

### **8. Upcoming Park Board Agenda Items**

No additional items were discussed in addition to the calendar included in the meeting packet.

### **9. Adjournment**

Walick motioned to adjourn, seconded by Gabler. Kist adjourned the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

**Minnetonka Park Board Item 6A  
Meeting of September 4, 2019**

<b>Subject:</b>	2019 Summer Recreation Program Registration Summary
<b>Park Board related goal:</b>	N/A
<b>Park Board related objective:</b>	N/A
<b>Brief Description:</b>	Provide the Park Board with the 2019 Summer Recreation Program Registration Summary

<b>2019 Summer Recreation Program Registration Summary</b>			
	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>2018 PARTICIPATION #S</b>	<b>2019 PARTICIPATION #S</b>
<b>YOUTH</b>	Aquatics	451	428
	Babysitter Training	9	10
	Baseball Camps	14	22
	Basketball Camp	34	21
	Cheerleading Camp	30	32
	Fishing	-----	39
	Hop-Kids – Art, Dance, Music, Science	122	162
	Hop-Kids – Sports	297	343
	Horseback Riding Camp	42	23
	Jidana Day Camp	216	215
	Kid’s Corner	33	32
	Knee Highs Soccer	51	23
	Martial Arts	58	35
	Park Adventures (Playgrounds)	1092	991
	Skating Lessons	232	201
	Soccer Camp	41	12
	Soccer League	630	583
	Tennis in the Parks	274	254
	Volleyball Camp	22	17
	<b>TEEN</b>	Bike Scream Rides	34
Canoeing the Mississippi		-----	10*
Kayaking the Kinnickinnic		5	4*
Ziplining		12	4*

\* canceled due to weather

	PROGRAM	2018 PARTICIPATION #S	2019 PARTICIPATION #S
ADULT	5-Player Basketball League	12 teams	6 teams
	Beach Yoga	111	130
	Fly Fishing	20	16
	Golf Lessons	20	39
	Kickball Leagues	9 teams	13 teams
	Martial Arts	96	56
	Pickleball Clinics	-----	42
	Sand Volleyball	22 teams	29 teams
	Skating Lessons	25	35
	Soccer League	18 teams	17 teams
	Softball Leagues	68 teams	74 teams
	Triathlon Training	7	5
	SENIOR	Bike Club	157
Classes		1517	1295
Events		812	809
Golf League		40	40
Softball League		35	38
Trips		372	503
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6911</b>	<b>6643</b>

**Recommended Action:**

Review the registration information and provide comment and feedback.

**Minnetonka Park Board Item 6B  
Meeting of September 4, 2019**

<b>Subject:</b>	Consideration of 2020 boat slip rates for Gray's Bay Marina
<b>Park Board related goal:</b>	To provide quality athletic and recreational facilities
<b>Park Board related objective:</b>	Conduct an annual review of the Gray's Bay Marina operations plan
<b>Brief Description:</b>	The park board will review Marina operations and information comparing boat slip lease fees at Gray's Bay Marina to other local boat slip facilities to determine if changes to the existing rates are warranted.

### **Background**

The Park Board has historically reviewed and made changes to Gray's Bay Marina boat slip fees. The last increase in slip fees took place prior to the 2012 boating season; increasing \$100 to \$3,900 per season. Slip fees have remained at \$3,900 through 2019. Since 2012 the board has recommended keeping the fees the same based on the fact that the marina has met budget expectations in all previous years.

To aid in the consideration of slip fees, a matrix showing several local private and municipal operated facilities will be made provided at the park board meeting. The facilities included will be the same facilities reviewed in previous years and amenities at each facility vary widely. Staff believes the existing amenities at Gray's Bay Marina are more comparable to private facilities than municipal with the exception of boat storage, mechanic and access to parking during peak hours.

The objective of the marina business plan is to cover all operating costs and long-term capital costs (escrow). Since 2003 when the marina opened, the facility has exceeded the budget expectations initially established for the facility by the park board.

### **Summary**

Some factors to be considered when making a decision whether or not to increase rates include:

- Annual Operating Costs – This includes items such as wages, gas, building & grounds, Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD) dues, and capital outlay.
- Past Increases - Since the facility opened in 2003 there have been five slip fee increases. The total amount of increase over the past 16 years equate to an average of approximately 2.5% per year. Increases are outlined below:

- 5% (\$140) increase to \$2,940 in 2006
  - 20% (\$584) increase to \$3,524 in 2007
  - 5% (\$176) increase to \$3,700 in 2008
  - 2.7% (\$100) increase to \$3,800 in 2009
  - No increase in 2010 or 2011
  - 2.6% (\$100) increase to \$3,900 in 2012
  - No increase 2013-2019
- Wait List – While there has been some difficulty maintaining a reasonable wait list the past few years, the current wait list stands at a healthy 47, up from 15 in 2016.
  - Budget Escrow – The marina escrow account continues to be strong and ahead of what has been budgeted since the marina opened.

Staff has included a summary of the revenue, expense, capital outlay, LMCD and escrow amounts that will cover future long-term capital costs. As indicated, Gray's Bay Marina has met the budget objectives initially put in place.

### **Recommendation**

For comparison purposes, since 2017 the average cost of a boat slip at privately operated marinas who have responded to date, increased an average of 1.5% per year to \$5,457. Municipal operated boat slips increased approximately 3% per year to \$1,805. The boat slip fee of \$3,900 currently charged at Gray's Bay Marina is less than the average private slip fee of \$5,457 (\$5,293 average in 2017).

Staff has determined that due to the marina's strong escrow position it is not necessary to increase slip fees and recommends the fee stay at \$3,900 for the 2020 season.

### **Discussion Points**

- Does the park board concur with staff's recommendation to keep the boat slip fee at \$3,900 for the 2020 season?

**Recommended Park Board Action:** Review operation information attached and provide direction to staff regarding a recommendation for 2020 marina boat slip fees.

### **Attachments**

1. Summary of revenue and expenses

## 2018 Gray's Bay Marina Operations Summary

	Actual 2016		Actual 2017		Actual 2018
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$240,471</b>		<b>\$258,716</b>		<b>\$290,966</b>
Expenses	(\$152,901)		(\$161,173)		(\$210,347)
Capital Outlay	(\$12,514)		\$0		\$0
LMCD	(\$21,481)		(\$22,844)		(\$23,986)
Escrow*	<u>(\$53,575)</u>		<u>(\$74,699)</u>		<u>(\$56,633)</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b><u>(\$240,471)</u></b>		<b><u>(\$258,716)</u></b>		<b><u>(\$290,966)</u></b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$0</b>

\* Total 2003-2018 amount budgeted in escrow account = \$306,600; amount escrowed through 2018 = \$604,692.

**Minnetonka Park Board Item 8  
Meeting of September 4, 2019**

<b>Subject:</b>	Information Items
<b>Park Board related goal:</b>	N/A
<b>Park Board related objective:</b>	N/A
<b>Brief Description:</b>	The following are informational items and developments that have occurred since the last park board meeting.

**Mountain Biking**

At their August 26 meeting, the city council approved the mountain biking trail concept plan for Lone Lake Park. The council's decision is contingent on a favorable ruling from the Minnesota Supreme Court regarding the petition for review of the ruling upholding the city council's decision to not conduct an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) in Lone Lake Park.

**Meadow Park Tennis Courts**

The tennis courts at Meadow Park had deteriorated to the point that they could no longer be resurfaced and needed to be reconstructed. Public Works crews removed the asphalt surface and anticipated that the existing gravel and subgrade would need to be replaced as well. We found that the existing gravel was crushed limestone approximately one foot thick with a layer of sand beneath that, which were both in good condition and did not need to be replaced. The gravel surface was shaped and the surface was paved on August 7<sup>th</sup>. Following a 30 day curing period, the contractor will be on site in early to mid-September to apply the coatings to the courts. The day after the coatings are completed the nets will be installed and the courts will be playable for the remainder of fall.

Recreation staff plan to utilize the courts in the summer of 2020 for the tennis in the parks program.



**Minnetonka Park Board Item 9  
Meeting of September 4, 2019**

<b>Upcoming 6-Month Meeting Schedule</b>				
<b>Day</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting Type</b>	<b>Agenda Business Items</b>	<b>Special Notes</b>
<b>Wed</b>	10/2/19	Regular	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shady Oak Beach Season-end report</li> </ul>	
<b>Wed</b>	11/13/19	Joint 5:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Facility &amp; Programming Space Study Update</li> <li>Robinwood Park Process</li> </ul>	Joint Meeting w/City Council
<b>Wed</b>	12/4/19	Regular	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review of 2019 Farmer's Market Operations and recommendations for 2020</li> </ul>	
<b>Wed</b>	1/1/20		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No meeting</li> </ul>	Holiday
<b>Wed</b>	2/5/20	Regular	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consideration of 2020 Park Board Strategic Plan</li> </ul>	
<b>Wed</b>	3/5/20	Regular	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review of 2021-2025 Capital Improvement Plan</li> </ul>	

**Other meetings and activities to note:**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Special Notes</b>
<b>Fri</b>	10/25/19	Burwell Spooktacular	Burwell House

**Items to be scheduled:**