

PRAB Meeting Minutes

August 17, 2022

Attending

Davina Bell, Alexa Fritz, Lisa Sullivan, Ron McMillin, Terry Smith, Cynthia Holden

A quick introduction was made to introduce a new member, Alexa Fritz to the board.

Accessibility to Parks Grant

We are applying for a grant to replace the playground at Maides Park with all-inclusive playground equipment. It is a one to five matching grant up to 500,000 dollars. The grant will be submitted by November 1st. Total cost of project should be around 300,000 dollars.

Health and Fitness Expo

Our fitness center staff will hold the expo for all ages on Saturday September 24th from 10-1 at the MLK center.

There will be low-cost health and wellness vendors, fitness classes, health screenings, etc.

Quarter cents sales tax

Staff from WMPO will do a presentation for the advisory board. The website is trailstransitnhc.com It gives information on what the sales tax will be used for such as 10+ miles of bike and pedestrian trails, 5 sidewalks, 9 improved intersections and crosswalks, transit purposes, increased bus use, and rail realignment.

Comprehensive Plan

The presentation date for the comprehensive plan may have to be moved. City council wants to meet with the group before it is presented. Hopefully the meeting can be done on September 9th so that the presentation can go on as originally planned on the 16th at the council meeting.

Greenfield Master Plan

The draft plan should be ready in October, and it will be to the advisory board at that time to be reviewed. The final plan should go to council in November.

Urban Forest Master Plan

We have about 30,000 public trees. We are looking at what kind of trees there are, how valuable they are and what condition they are in. They are still talking to stakeholders at this point to gather all the information needed. Once all the information is put together, we are hoping to go to council in November.

Portia Mills Hines Park

Originally the park was supposed to be completed in February but due to roofing materials being put on hold, the timeline to finish is now end of October 2022. The parking is complete. It still needs lights on the basketball court and a shelter. Voyage will plan a reopening event for the park once completed.

Wade Park

An open house event will be held August 23rd from 4-6pm. We are hoping that by meeting with the community neighbors, word will spread about recent vandalism and the community can help police it.

Lisa Sullivan offered to reach out to her church (Life point) which is nearby, to ask if the church would be interested in adopting the park to help with clean-up and any other efforts needed. Ron will follow up with her about it.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:27pm by Lisa Sullivan.