

**Ball Diamond Task Force Minutes**  
**Monday, Jan. 20, 2020 5:30 pm**  
**Civic Center**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brittain, Heyer, Langner, K. Miller T. Miller, Nus  
MEMBERS ABSENT: Petersen  
COUNCIL PRESENT: Birgen (5:33), Rathe (5:33), Schneider  
STAFF PRESENT: Bronner, Riordan  
VISITORS: Dean Soash (5:37)

SUMMARY OF FORMAL ACTION: The meeting was called to order at 5:31 pm by Chair, Langner.

Motion: To approve Jan 20, 2020 agenda as presented.

01-20	Moved: K. Miller	Seconded: Brittain
Yes: 6	No: 0	Absent: 1

Motion: To approve Nov. 25, 2019 Minutes as presented.

02-20	Moved: T. Miller	Seconded: K. Miller
Yes: 6	No: 0	Absent: 1

**Regular Business.**

1. Public/Neighborhood Concerns

Citizens of SE Waverly have been contacting the City and Langner voicing concerns of the Youth Ball Diamond Project. There will be a Neighborhood meeting on Thursday, Jan. 30 at the Civic Center to hear the concerns in a public forum. Riordan has sent letters to the residents and homeowners in the neighborhood informing them of the meeting. Langner has also sent a letter with frequently asked questions included because there is a lot of misinformation that is being spread. Members of the task force should be prepared to answer questions about why this particular property was chosen for the Youth Ball Diamonds. There are also concerns of traffic, on Cedar River Parkway and throughout the neighborhood. Schneider stated that the task force needs to over communicate and share with the neighborhood. Birgen added that the noise or concerns shouldn't be dismissed. Heyer suggested updating the fact sheets after meeting with Hall & Hall. Rathe wondered if the youth ball organizations have a place to publish these.

2. Marketing & Capital Campaign

Langner reported that a local company will develop a website free of cost to promote fundraising for the youth ball diamonds. The task force just needs to get them the content. Schneider asked if Cedar River Park is the official title or a working title. Bronner replied that for right now it is the working title, hopefully someone will donate for the naming rights of the park.

3. Grants

Currently there are various grants available. However, we're not far enough along in the process to apply for these grants at this time. Next winter and spring will be the time to apply for grant money.

4. Park Updates

Field dimensions have changed slightly due to the configuration of the fields and the distance located between the fields. The inclusive playground has been moved as one unit to the West side of the Miracle League Field. Bioswales are now labeled as well. Currently the fields will be limestone with an alternate bid for Shakopee dirt. Placement of the well and irrigation is still being discussed.

**Staff Report:** Riordan updated the task force on the rezoning process of 2 of the 4 parcels where youth ball diamonds are proposed. Two parcels are currently zoned A-1 and 2 parcels are zoned R-2. All parcels will be zoned R-2.

City of Waverly budget meetings will be held Saturday, Jan. 25 and Saturday, Feb. 8.

**Chair Report:** Langner asked if anyone is able to help with web design to please let him know.

**Reports and Communications:** Langner spoke at Exchange Club on Jan. 16.

**Next Meeting:**

Feb. 17, 2020 5:30 PM Civic Center

**Adjournment:**

Motion: To Adjourn

03-20

Yes: 6

Moved: K. Miller

No: 0

Seconded: Heyer

Absent: 1

The meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Garret Riordan  
Commission Secretary  
Leisure Services Director