

# WHITEWATER PARK STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

August 19, 2019

8:00 AM

Stoughton City Hall – Hall of Fame Room



Present Members: Regina Hirsch, Alex DeSmidt, Matt Dregne. Brandon Holstein, Pete Manley, and Parks & Recreation Director Dan Glynn

Guests: Eric Olsen, Cheryl Housley, Mayor Tim Swadley

## 1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 8:04 am.

## 2. Approval of the July 16, 2019 Minutes

*Motion by Holstein and seconded by DeSmidt to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.*

## 3. Communications

Cheryl Housley from the DNR shared the status of the City's Stewardship Fund application. The DNR will be funding the trail and trail amenities. They would like to have the dam removal resolved prior to funding any in-water or shoreline improvements. The DNR has faced some delayed projects in the recent past with dam removals.

Glynn shared photos of the Bend, OR whitewater park. A community member was there on vacation and sent him the pictures.

## **New Business**

## 4. Phase II Whitewater Park Engineering

The committee reviewed the new plans and many questions were raised about the design. These included water levels, profile of the river, property ownership for any exposed land, ecological impacts, and fishing impacts. The committee developed a set of questions for Gary Lacy to be answered.

## 5. Master Plan Update

Glynn shared that MSA will be conducting focus groups the week of August 19th. There were some concerns with members not being able to attend the meeting. The committee stressed that there needs to be coordination between the developer, the whitewater park committee and engineer, and MSA.

## 6. Sediment Sampling & Bathymetric Survey Update

Glynn shared that Interfluve received the lab results the previous week and started working on their report. He expects to have the report for the next meeting.

## 7. Pedestrian Bridge & Bank Restoration Design, & Coordination

Glynn shared that the developer and his architect will be included into the focus group meetings for the Mandt Park Master Plan. They also have Gary Lacy's contact information.

## 8. Public Forum

Discussion centered around how the meeting would go and who would present. There should be presenters who offer a regional perspective on issues such as flood mitigation and presenters who offer a local perspective such as the whitewater park. This is due to the whitewater park tying into a lot of different issues.

## 9. Future Agenda Items

- Mandt Park Master Plan
- Public Forum
- Sediment Results
- Dam Removal - Private Property Implications

## **Adjournment**

*Motion made by DeSmidt and seconded by Holstein at 11:19 am. Motion carried unanimously.*