

**UNAPPROVED
DERBY PARK AND URBAN FORESTRY BOARD MINUTES
April 14, 2022**

Call to Order: 11:00 A. M.

Roll Call:	<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>
	Sherii Farmer	Rick Dame
	Bruce Renberger	
	Dave Peebler	
	Marty Hunt	
	Jason Griffin	

Also in attendance: Steve White, Joe Loflin, Shana Sneath, Bonnie Thieme

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: Bruce Renberger moved to approve the minutes from March 10, 2022

Second: Sherii Farmer second.

Vote: All yea, motion carried.

Open Forum: Bruce Renberger mentioned that he stayed at an RV campground adjacent to a park. RV camping could be useful in Derby for people coming in from out of town to stay for ball tournaments. The open space at High Park was mentioned for camping.

Old Business:

There was a good turnout for the steering committee meetings with Pros Consulting. 335 surveys will be sent to community members regarding the PMP.

Key takeaways from the PMP meeting so far: Derby places a high value on the parks systems, sites and facilities are considered best in class and new park development has been good. It is now time to focus on revitalization of neighborhood parks and future development of parks in the northeast part of Derby.

CIP Project: Light Poles are up in Riley Park, lights will be commissioned soon and the project is close to completion.

Spring Into Art is on April 24. There is a sign-up sheet for volunteers to assist vendors and help with the kid's project. Kids will be planting marigolds and we will be giving away Redbuds and Lacebark Elms. We will be celebrating Arbor Day at Spring Into Art.

The Planting Guide has been approved by the City Council. We have been awarded Tree City USA for the 29th year and received the growth award for the 13th year.

New Business:

Project Update: Colorful artificial turf was installed at MACP to patch some worn areas.

Tee pads at the disc golf course have been formed and poured. Now they are curing and should be installed by the end of May.

Austin Schrage, Senior Groundskeeper passed the Certified Playground Safety Inspector certification course.

Joe was nominated for employee of the year for all his efforts at RRR last year. Concrete and electrical issues needed to be dealt with. Joe built a bridge over the lazy river.

Bonnie and her projects were featured in the Derby Informer recently. She has puts lots of work into beautifying the city thus far.

The dog park was overseeded again. It was shut down some this winter for excessive moisture and rain.

We are hiring for summer groundskeepers. If you know of anyone, please direct them to derbyks.com to apply.

Our new PUF Board member is Regina Solis-Willhite and she will be at the May board meeting.

Motion to adjourn: Jason Griffin moved to adjourn the April 14, 2022 PUF meeting.

Second: Bruce Renberger, second.

Vote: All yea, motion carried unanimous.

End.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shana Sneath
Public Works Coordinator,

Marty Hunt _____
Chairman