



City of Naperville

400 S. Eagle Street
Naperville, IL 60540

Meeting Minutes

Riverwalk Commission

Wednesday, April 10, 2019

7:30 AM

Municipal Center Lunchroom

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Roehll called the April 10, 2019 Naperville Riverwalk Commission meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. The meeting was held in the lunchroom of the Naperville Municipal Center located at 400 S. Eagle Street, Naperville, Illinois.

B. ROLL CALL:

Present: Valla Aguilar; Jeanne Buddingh; Bobby Carlsen; John Cuff; Jeff Friant; John Joseph; Pat Kennedy; Debra Lellbach; Bill Novack; Chuck Papanos; and Geoff Roehll, Commission Chairman

Absent: Judy Brodhead

Also Present: Christian Canizal, NCTV; Brian Dusak, ERA; Tim Ford, resident; Dick Galitz, resident and former Riverwalk Commissioner; Rick Hitchcock, resident and former Riverwalk Commission Chairman; Stephanie Penick, resident and former Riverwalk Commissioner; Carl Peterson, GRWA; Lauren Rohr, Daily Herald; and Marilyn Schweitzer, resident

C. PUBLIC FORUM:

No members of the public were interested in addressing the Commission.

D. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Naperville Jaycees Park - Geoff Roehll

Roehll reported that the Department of Public Works has shared an updated construction schedule showing the expected weekly work. Barring weather issuers, the project looks like it will be completed by the middle of May. A grand opening has not been scheduled yet.

2. Moser Tower Assessment - Bill Novack

Novack reported that a very good discussion took place at the April 2, 2019 Planning, Design & Construction Committee. He explained that all present had the opportunity to voice their thoughts about what they believed should be recommended to the City Council. He explained that there have been a few additional questions raised by experienced residents. He also noted that there was previous discussion regarding the use of a concrete sealer on the precast concrete pieces of the tower. A very preliminary conservative cost to seal the tower would be approximately \$100,000. He would like to postpone the vote until the May 8 meeting to allow enough time to get the questions answered.

Roehll reminded the Commissioners that, if the recommendation is to repair the tower, that there will be final design and engineering to further refine the costs.

The option of repairing/enclosing the tower does not appear to be a financially viable choice as enclosing the tower not only added to the initial capital costs but also added to the ongoing operation and maintenance cost of the HVAC. The main benefit of enclosing the tower would be less repair and maintenance of the elevator. However, the capital and ongoing maintenance cost for the enclosure and HVAC greatly exceeded the repair and replacement costs of the elevator. From a financial perspective, it is hard to justify the costs to enclose the tower. Consequently, the Commissioners were directed to consider one of two options; either repairing the tower or decommissioning the tower.

Roehll asked each Commissioner to share their thoughts about what action the Riverwalk Commission should recommend to the City Council regarding the future of the Moser Tower and Millennium Carillon.

Almost all in attendance provided several interesting and varied comments about what to do with the tower. The majority of the attendees recommended repairing the tower, with two Commissioners suggesting that the question should go to referendum for a final decision.

E. NEW BUSINESS:

No new business was brought before the Riverwalk Commission.

F. REPORTS:

1. Approval of Minutes - Geoff Roehll

Approve minutes from the March 13, 2019 Riverwalk Commission meeting.

Attachments: [19RWCMminutes0313.pdf](#)

A motion to approve the minutes from the March 13, 2019 Riverwalk Commission meeting was made by Joseph, seconded by Novack.
MOTION CARRIED

2. Chairman - Geoff Roehll

No report.

3. Finance - Bill Novack

Novack distributed and reviewed the February 2019 financial report for the Riverwalk CIP and Operations Budgets. There was no change from the previous month. There has been no further movement on the 430 S. Washington project.

4. Park District - Chuck Papanos

Receive the monthly Park District report.

Attachments: [4-10-19 memo.docx](#)

Papanos reported that the broken auto-play components for the carillon have been sent back to the Netherlands for repair. Until they are fixed, there will be no auto-play, only live music.

5. Riverwalk Foundation - John Cuff

The Riverwalk Foundation will be working on their upcoming annual Duck Race that will take place on Wednesday, August 14, 2019.

6. Donor Recognition - Jan Erickson

Erickson reported that the spring order has been submitted and the installation is scheduled for early May. Also, the engraver's inventory of bricks is being depleted so the Park District will deliver another pallet of blank pavers.

7. Public Relations - Jeanne Buddingh

Buddingh reported that since our last meeting, the Riverwalk was highlighted or mentioned in 20 articles, advertisements and/or videos in the local media. The highlights include the Holi Festival celebrated on the Riverwalk, the Jaycee Playground renovation and direct mail from various

candidates running for public office.

8. Planning, Design, and Construction - Jeanne Buddingh

Receive the April 2, 2019 Riverwalk Planning, Design and Construction Committee minutes.

Attachments: [19PDCMinutes0402.pdf](#)

Buddingh stated that all pertinent PDC business had been discussed earlier in the agenda with no additional information to be reported.

G. MEETING SCHEDULE:

**Riverwalk Planning, Design & Construction, April 30, 2018, 7:30 a.m.
Lunchroom, Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St., Naperville, IL

Annual AMP Walk, May 7, 2019, 3:30 p.m.
Meet on the ground floor of the Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St.,
Naperville, IL

Riverwalk Commission, May 8, 2019, 7:30 a.m.
Lunchroom, Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St., Naperville, IL

Riverwalk Planning, Design & Construction, June 4, 2018, 7:30 a.m.
Lunchroom, Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St., Naperville, IL

H. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Buddingh, seconded by Lellbach at 8:05 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted by
Janette Erickson, Riverwalk Administrator