



City of Naperville

400 S. Eagle Street
Naperville, IL 60540

Meeting Minutes

Riverwalk Commission

Wednesday, November 13, 2019

7:30 AM

Municipal Center Lunchroom

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Roehll called the November 13, 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; Pam Bartlett; Judy Brodhead (arr. 7:37); John Cuff; Jeff Friant; John Joseph; Debra Lellbach; Bill Novack; and Geoff Roehll, Commission Chairman

Absent: Bobby Carlsen; Pat Kennedy; Amsal Khimani, Student Commissioner; and Chuck Papanos

Also Present: Brian Dusak, ERA; Rick Hitchcock, Former Riverwalk Commission Chairman; Stephanie Penick, Riverwalk Foundation; and Carl Peterson, GRWA; Tiffani Picco, Naperville Park District

C. PUBLIC FORUM:

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

D. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Moser Tower Assessment - Bill Novack

Novack reported that ERA is waiting for the results from their subconsultants so they can be incorporated into the updated report which will probably be discussed at the December and January meetings. Depending on the outcome of the discussions, a recommendation may be brought to the Riverwalk Commission for approval at their February meeting.

2. Riverwalk Master Plan - Geoff Roehll for Pat Kennedy

Roehll reported that two walks took place highlighting the locations of proposed Master Plan projects and enhancement opportunities. Several projects being considered are as follows:

- The South Extension from Hillside Road to Martin Avenue
- A bike lane from Hillside Road to Fredenhagen Park
- Construction of 430 S. Washington Street
- Updating the pavilion at Fredenhagen Park
- Develop the north and south shoreline between Main Street and Washington Street
- The Eagle Street Gateway
- Reimagine the Grand Pavilion and adjacent parking lot using Best Management Practices
- Install a pollinator garden on the west extension with interpretive signage
- Install a permanent painting easel on east extension
- Restore areas of the shoreline with native plantings and interpretive signage
- Address two dead-end walkways on the west extension near the Visitor Center and RiverPlace.

Next steps are to gather cost estimates, develop concept plans and write a description for all the proposed Master Plan projects. Also included in the Master Plan will be an updated 2031 Vision document. Commissioners were reminded that there is no timeline for these projects and that the discussions are ongoing.

E. NEW BUSINESS:

No new business was brought before the Riverwalk Commission.

F. REPORTS:

1. Approval of Minutes - Geoff Roehll

Approve the October 9, 2019 Riverwalk Commission meeting minutes.

Attachments: [19RWCMminutes1009.pdf](#)

A motion to approve the minutes from the October 9, 2019 Riverwalk Commission meeting was made by Joseph, seconded by Friant. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Chairman - Geoff Roehll

No report.

3. Finance - Bill Novack

Novack distributed and reviewed the October 2019 financial reports for the Riverwalk CIP and Operations Budgets. He also reviewed the 2020 Riverwalk CIP budget.

4. Park District - Tiffani Picco for Chuck Papanos

Receive the monthly Park District report.

Attachments: [19ParkDistMemo1113.pdf](#)

- Early Snow Fall
The Park District staff has been busy with snow removal.
- Santa House
Staff is preparing to install the Santa House and holiday decorations.
- Healing Field
The removal of the Healing Field flags has been delayed due to the freezing cold weather.

5. Riverwalk Foundation - John Cuff

The Riverwalk Foundation (RWF) continues to seek small projects that will enhance the Riverwalk. Their mission does not support funding maintenance projects. They are open to projects that will accommodate matching funds. They have approached the Park District with the suggestion that the RWF provide funds for the project if the Park District would provide in-kind manpower. They are also open to service organizations that may be interested in co-sponsoring a project. Some of the opportunities include finding additional ways to use the building at Fredenhagen Park, developing 430 S. Washington and the possibility of phasing the south extension project.

6. Donor Recognition - Jan Erickson

Erickson reported that the donor bricks for the fall order have been installed and that the replacement bricks should be delivered within the next couple of weeks. Due to the cold weather, the replacement bricks will likely be stored for the winter and installed in the spring. The spring order will be submitted in the middle of March for a late May installation.

7. Public Relations - Valla Aguilar

Receive the October 9, 2019 Public Relations report.

Attachments: [19PublicRelationsReport1009.pdf](#)

The November report will be included in the December report.

8. Planning, Design, and Construction - Geoff Roehll for Pat Kennedy

Receive the November 5, 2019 Riverwalk Planning, Design and Construction Committee minutes.

Attachments: [19PDCMinutes1105.pdf](#)

Roehl stated that all pertinent Planning, Design & Construction Committee business had been discussed earlier in Agenda Items D.1. and D.2. with no additional information to be reported.

G. MEETING SCHEDULE:

Riverwalk Planning, Design & Construction, December 3, 2019, 7:30 a.m.
Lunchroom, Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St., Naperville, IL

Riverwalk Commission, December 11, 2019, 7:30 a.m.
Lunchroom, Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St., Naperville, IL

**Riverwalk Planning, Design & Construction, January 7, 2020, 7:30 a.m.
Lunchroom, Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St., Naperville, IL

Riverwalk Commission, January 8, 2020, 7:30 a.m.
Lunchroom, Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St., Naperville, IL

H. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Lellbach, seconded by Friant at 7:54 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted by
Janette Erickson, Riverwalk Administrator