



Meeting Minutes

Riverwalk Planning, Design and Construction Committee

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

7:30 AM

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A. CALL TO ORDER:

In Planning, Design & Construction Committee (PDC) Chairman Kennedy's absence, Riverwalk Commission Chairman Roehl called the March 3, 2020 PDC meeting to order at 7:32 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: John Cuff; Jeff Friant; John Joseph; Amsal Khimani, Student Commissioner; Debra Lellbach; Bill Novack; and Geoff Roehl, Riverwalk Commission Chairman

Absent: Valla Aguilar; Pam Bartlett; Judy Brodhead; Bobby Carlsen; Pat Kennedy, PD&C Committee Chairman; and Chuck Papanos

Also Present: Brian Dusak, ERA; Monica Goshorn-Maroney, GRWA; Stephanie Penick, Riverwalk Foundation; Carl Peterson, GRWA; Tiffani Picco, Park District; and Marilyn Schweitzer, resident

C. PUBLIC FORUM:

No members of the public desired to speak.

D. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of Minutes - Geoff Roehl for Pat Kennedy

Approve the minutes from the February 4, 2020 Riverwalk Planning, Design & Construction Committee.

Attachments: [20PDCMinutes0204.pdf](#)

A motion to approve the February 4, 2020 Planning, Design & Construction Committee minutes was made by Novack and seconded by Lellbach.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Park District - Tiffani Picco for Chuck Papanos

- a. Riverwalk Parking Lot Trees
The pine trees adjacent to the Riverwalk parking lot at Main and Jackson were taken down last week due to poor and declining health. Replacement landscaping will be installed this April.
- b. Netzley Quarry
The work around the small quarry is about 90% complete. The Park District has not heard anything from the adjacent neighbors. While it is too muddy to work in the area right now, the Park District plans to complete the work soon.
- c. Centennial Beach
The Park District will start cleaning up the beach on March 27.
- d. Riverwalk Banners
Spring banners will be installed next week.
- e. Papanos Retirement
Chuck Papanos, long-time Riverwalk Commissioner and outstanding caretaker of the Naperville Riverwalk, has announced that he will retire on April 17, 2020.

3. Moser Tower Assessment - Bill Novack

Novack reported that the Riverwalk Commission's recommendation to proceed with Alternative No. 1 in one phase is on the March 3, 2020 agenda for the City Council meeting agenda. Members questioned if they should attend the meeting to show support for the recommendation. Novack stated that while it was not necessary it would be nice. One Council member had questions about the Commission and staff's level of confidence in the recommended solution and the cost estimate. Novack replied that the confidence is much higher than four years ago due to the wide-range of professional who have had input on this recommendation.

4. Riverwalk Master Plan - Geoff Roehll for Pat Kennedy

In Kennedy's absence Roehll led this discussion. GRWA passed out their latest draft of the document which everyone reviewed on the spot and provided the following comments:

Joseph noted that reference should be made to the 200 year celebration of the City and the 50 year celebration of the Riverwalk in 2031; that will add context to why we are planning for that year.

- a. Roehll discussed the north shore project and how it differed from when it was first introduced 17 years ago. The old plan envisioned taking a property from the downtown, whereas this plan provides a pedestrian passage as part of redevelopment of the property, while keeping the property on the tax rolls.
- b. It was noted that this is a working draft and that Rick Hitchcock will be

writing up the text when he returns.

- c. Names of private commercial businesses will be removed from the maps.
- d. GRWA will see if there is a better way to connect the south extension on the overall map.
- e. GRWA will also look at not using the green and blue call-out letters so individuals who struggle with colors will not be challenged.
- f. There was a great amount of discussion about whether and how to show the cost of the improvements, and even future maintenance cost. This may be best to revisit after the text has been added so we can see how it all looks together.
- g. Everyone was excited with the progress made in the last month and that this document has a lot of potential for success.
- h. Anyone with additional comments for GRWA should send them to Roehll so he can consolidate them and send them to GRWA.

E. NEW BUSINESS:

Novack questioned if the March 31, 2020 PDC meeting should be cancelled since it appears that many Commissioners will be absent due to spring break. It was agreed by all present that the March 31, 2020 meeting would not be held, and that the next PDC meeting will be on May 5, 2020.

F. MEETING SCHEDULE:

Riverwalk Commission, March 11, 2020, 7:30 a.m.
Lunchroom, Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St., Naperville, IL

****CANCELLED:** Riverwalk Planning, Design & Construction, March 31, 2020, 7:30 a.m.
Lunchroom, Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St., Naperville, IL

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

Riverwalk Planning, Design & Construction, May 5, 2020, 7:30 a.m.
Lunchroom, Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St., Naperville, IL

G. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Lellbach; seconded by Roehll.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Janette Erickson, Riverwalk Administrator