City of Bayfield
Parks & Recreation Committee Minutes
July 27, 2026 at 4:00PM

1. Call to Order: 4:06PM
2. Roll Call: Pete Havlik, Laura Rovi, Matt Carrier, Kali Nelson, Kate Kitchell, Diane Fizell (at 4:22)
3. **Motion to** Approve Agenda: Havlik/Nelson (carried)
4. **Motion to** Approve June Minutes: Nelson/Havlik (carried)
5. Public Input: none

Agenda

Permit Applications: none

Standard Update Reports:

1. Playground Subcommittee (Havlik & Carrier): Wonderstate is running a fundraiser; grant applications are going out; Strand Engineering is meeting today to discuss design; they did a topographical survey and it seems the drainage issue is relatively minor; at their next meeting they will work conceptual designs
2. Budget and Finance Report: none, Matt will talk to Anne about getting us back to where we were
3. Round-robin reports
    a. Big Ravine/Iron Bridge (Havlik): section is closed and will remain so due to the desires of private owners, no reroute possible due to terrain; wasp nest dealt with
    b. Cooper Hill (Havlik & Fizell): Looks good, being used by many families
    c. Dalrymple Campground (Carrier): WISCORPS crew is there now, the completed a bridge, in communication with PWD Joel Weber and Kate Kitchell
    d. East Dock Park: (Havlik & Nelson): Looks good, Willow may need to be removed for safety
    e. Halvor Reiten (Rovi): Thank you PW for fixing the bench so quickly, cigarette butts, email about Dock L needing weeding, which happens every so often to protect new planting
    f. Waterfront Walk: looks good
    g. Washington Ave Beach: could use a trash can because people tend to leave trash behind
    h. BAT: deciding on becoming 501 (c) 3 or not; Salmo trail boardwalk will be done this week

New Business

1. SEH Lower Big Ravine Draft Report: Sadly they did not attend the meeting to present; focus on stormwater management and accessibility; survey shows interest in creating more access
2. Proposal to install fire ring at Washington Ave Beach: pilot season, removable, similar to Bayview Beach;

    Motion to implement the proposal as drafted (Nelson/Fizell, carried)

Old Business

1. Trail Policies: added parts about role of Public Works and Planning Commission, closers, and easements; policies are ready to go to Public Works,

   Motion to recommend that the Parks and Recreation Committee forward the draft Recreational Trail Planning, Design, and Development Policy – Nonmotorized/Pedestrian, the draft Recreational Trail Planning, Design, and Development Policy – Motorized Recreation: Snowmobile, ATV, UTV, and the draft Recreational Use of Undeveloped Public Rights-of-Way Policy for further review, with the Undeveloped Public Rights-of-Way Policy referred to the Public Works Committee for review prior to City Council consideration, and a legal counsel review and a two week public comment period be open to solicit feedback on these policies, and that the Chair and Mayor be empowered to decide if the policies go to City Council for consideration or to Parks and Recreation Committee for further review. (Fizell/Nelson, carried)
2. Sweeny Loop Trail Proposal: be aware, this is coming
3. Dalrymple Reservation System and Campground Host Model: much to be ironed out but the idea is good

Next Meeting: August 24th, 4pm with HW of reading and noting SEH Lower Big Ravine Draft Report

Adjourned at 5:15PM