Greenway Technical Committee (GTC) Staff Meeting Notes Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Grand Forks Park District Office - 1210 7th Ave. S. Grand Forks, ND 10:30 am- Noon

Lonnie Winrich, Chair Melanie Parvey, City of GF Gladwin Lynne, City of EGF Bill Palmiscno, GF Park District Dave Aker, City of EGF Kim Greendahl, City of GF

Guest: Steve Mulially

I. New Business

- a. Special project requests
 - i. Disc golf course at Riverside Park: Jace Grangruth, a local disc golf player, submitted a request to consider the addition of a disc golf course in Riverside Park. He is recommending an area east of the pool, on the wet side of the low level levee.

The committee would like to explore this idea more to determine whether or not the project is feasible. Kim will send a letter to Jace instructing him to contact Travis Hagen of the local disc golf association to determine feasibility, funding support and design of the course.

- b. East Grand Forks pool update: There are some leaks around the pool, issues with the deck areas, and the drains in the baby pool. The bath house is need of repair to meet code. Dave will be presenting to the EGF City Council tonight to hire a consultant to draft plans for renovating the pool and bathhouse. They are planning to have the pool open again next year.
- **c. Riverside pool update:** The attendance numbers are getting back to pre-flood levels. The budget shows a loss of about \$30,000 but that includes a deck expansion project to increase the sitting area. The GF Park District continued to bus kids from the play programs to the pool several times a week. A concession stand was added outside the pool area at Riverside. Riverside Pool seems to attract an older crowd (25 30) and the demographics at Elks Pool seem to be more of the school age kids.
- d. Updating the Greenway Plan & hiring an intern: A job description has been advertised through emails to UND, UMC, Facebook and email notices. Applications are being accepted until 5 pm on Friday, October 21. This position pays a \$2,400 stipend for a list of deliverables, whether it takes the candidate 10 hours or 200 hours to finish the project. The cost of the stipend will be shared \$1,000 by both Grand Forks and East Grand Forks and \$400 from the Greenway Technical Committee marketing fund.

II. Old Business

- a. Special project request updates
 - i. Boat house: The Army Corps of Engineers has determined that a permanent structure cannot be built in the floodplain so Andy Magness is working to find a portable storage unit that would fit the needs of the project.
- b. New ADA regulations regarding Other Power Driven Mobility Devices (OPDMD):
 This matter was brought to the September 27 Service Safety Committee meeting as an informational item. During the review of the support materials for the meeting Kim found a memo from Howard Swanson, GF City Attorney, discussing a similar issue for the larger trail system. In that memo Howard noted that the Greenway Ordinances have language to permit the use of OPDMD as defined in the ordinance. Snowmobiles, golf carts, atvs and lawnmower tractors are still excluded from use in the Greenway. Kim will continue to work with city staff to extend this ordinance to the entire trail system.

- **c. Greenway & Trail Users Advisory Group update:** The group will be hearing an update of the same items on the technical committee agenda.
- **d. Thurber plaque:** Kim is waiting to hear back from Peg O'Leary of the Grand Forks Historic Preservation Commission to set up a meeting to discuss this item.

III. Greenway Agency Updates

- a. City of EGF: The campground will be closing for the season October 24. The trail heads have been closed for the season to prevent the pipes from freezing over the winter. Work has begun on the new trail at LaFave Park but the paving hasn't happened yet. The retirement party for Gladwin is scheduled for 6 pm on Thursday, October 13 at the EGF Senior Center. The position of Park Manager has been offered to Catherine Johnson.
- b. City of GF: No report
- c. GF Park District: Crews will be installing the boards on the hockey rinks soon.
- d. MN DNR: No report.

IV. Other

- **a. Greenway website:** Committee members are asked to review the updated website and send comments and edits to Kim as soon as possible. She would like to launch the site to the public within the next week.
- V. Next Greenway Technical Committee meeting: November 8, 2011 10:30 am at Grand Forks Park District, 1210 7th Avenue South

Submitted by: Kim Greendahl, Greenway Specialist, City of Grand Forks

Attachments:

2011 GF Park District swimming pool attendance report Special project form for disc golf course at Riverside Park

2011 Pool Report

	Elks			Riverside		
	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	2011	<u>2010</u>	2009
June	6253	4645	6,603	3558	3035	
July	6979	6792	6,270	9439	8383	
August	2625	3,550	2,724	4372	6,082	4,427
Total	15,857	14,987	15,597	17,369	17,500	4,427

Elks Pool:

Open: June 3 - Aug 19

Riverside Pool:

*Open: June 17 – Aug 28 *open 9 days late.

Total Elks/Riverside: 33,226/swimmers (32,487)

Greenway Project Request Form

Contact name Jace Grangruth						
Address 1419 4th Ave N						
City Grand Forks	State & zip ND, 58203					
Phone 218-969-0226						
Email address jace.31@hotmail.com						
Is this request: □ One time event X New installation □ Improvement to existing facility						
Brief summary of request: I would like to propose and a						
The Greenway north of Riverside Park. The coarse cou	uld be either a 9 hole or 18 hole					
Coarse that followed some of the concepts of the Lincoln Park coarse. The Lincoln park						
Coarse is very busy and so is the coarse in East Grand Forks. This new coarse would be						
Very popular with its location and having many of the	holes IN THE WOODS!					
Support for the activity or facility . How many people typically participate in this activity, is there a user group established in the area, etc.:						
Disc golf is a rapidly growing sport that is only getting bigger. The user group is a huge						
Range of people from young to old and especially college students. I am confident						
That the new coarse would be consistently busy throughout the year.						
What is needed to facilitate this project? Space, structures, etc? Please attach a diagram of the proposed layout of the activity or facility, if appropriate.						
The materials needed would shadow the Lincoln park coarse. Cement tee pads and						
A basket per hole with a few trash cans scattered throughout the coarse. I would be						
Glad to design the coarse and Diagram the coarse layout if accepted.						
What, if any, costs are associated with this project?						
The costs consist of the baskets and the tee pads per hole. Hopefully 18 of each. If it's						
Decided to cut costs we could eliminate the cement tee pads. (but with the amount of						
People that will use the coarse large ruts will form at each tee pad area without cement						
How will these expenses be paid? Fundraisers, sponsor, etc.						
Many of the local companies will sponsor individual holes to help pay for the coarse.						

Does this project require ongoing maintenance?	If so, who will maintain the facility?
The coarse would need minimal maintenance. Go	rbage removed, minimal mowing,
Just normal park maintenance. (Parks and Rec)	
Will this event or facility be open to the public?	
The facility would be open to the public year round	d. (Except flood season)
Does this activity or facility involve the use of harmf	ul chemicals, excavation or fire?
If so, please describe.	
NO.	

Please submit this completed form and other supporting documents to be considered to:

Greenway Manager City of Grand Forks P.O. Box 5200 Grand Forks, ND 58208-5200 701-738-8746

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Attachments:	