

**Bloomington Park District
Board of Commissioners Meeting
October 3, 2016
Johnston Recreation Center**

Call to Order

President Buzz Puccio called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. In attendance were Commissioners Jerry Marshall, Karen Johns, Mike Vogl, and Buzz Puccio and staff members Carrie Fullerton, Joe Potts, and Jackie Tithof Steere. Commissioner Burke was unable to attend as he is out of town on business.

Recognition of Visitors

There were no guests in attendance.

New Business

Request to Charge an Admission Fee from the Gayatri Gyan Mandir Organization

Commissioner Vogl moved, seconded by Commissioner Johns, to allow the Gayatri Gyan Mandir Organization to charge an admission fee at its folk dance rental at the Johnston Recreation Center.

On roll call vote the motion was approved 4-0.

Aye:	Vogl, Johns, Marshall, Puccio
Nay:	None
Absent:	Burke

Other Items Brought Before the Board

Discuss Results of Tree Inventory

Joe Potts gave a brief presentation of the findings of the Bloomington Park District Tree Inventory Report prepared by Graf Tree Care Inc. The study concluded our parks have a very diverse and healthy tree population overall, maintaining a rare 20-10-5 Rule of taxonomic diversity. Joe shared the top recommendations as they pertain to maintenance, reforestation, GIS data mapping, and tracking memorial trees.

The Board discussed the possibility of implementing a tree policy manual for future designers, employees, and boards to consult when considering additions to our parks.

Discuss Public Education Presentation Dates/Times/Location and Assignments

Carrie Fullerton distributed a Public Education calendar of presentations to meetings of local boards, clubs, and homeowners' associations, and coordinated when Board members will attend. Carrie will update the calendar and send to the Board.

The Board discussed additional ways in which to inform the public of the referendum: mailings, door hangers, signs, banners, press interviews, renderings in the Johnston Recreation Center lobby, and word of mouth.

Executive Session

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, to not enter into Executive Session.

On roll call vote the motion was approved 4-0.

Aye: Johns, Marshall, Vogl, Puccio
Nay: None
Absent: Burke

Adjournment

Commissioner Johns moved, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm.

On roll call vote the motion was approved 4-0.

Aye: Johns, Marshall, Vogl, Puccio
Nay: None
Absent: Burke

Respectfully submitted,
Carrie A. Fullerton
Board Secretary