



Park & Recreation Advisory Commission

AGENDA

North Lions Park-61st and Kentucky (map enclosed)

In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be held in the park building

May 4, 2016

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| 6:00 pm | Park Clean-up at the Park Building
Neighborhood park clean-up
Refreshments served by City Council |
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| 6:30 pm | Arbor Day-Park Building
Arbor Day proclamation
Poster Contest Winners
Tree Planting
Tree Care-Brad Fortin
Tree Give Away |
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| 7:00 pm | Neighborhood Meeting Agenda- Park Building <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Call the meeting to order2. Purpose of the meeting. Introductions of Commission and City Staff.3. Neighborhood Business<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. City Informationb. Neighborhood watch/safetyc. Questions and comments on the above4. Park and Recreation facilities, programs and projects<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Resident comments on Park and Recreation facilities and programsb. Drawing for Recreation Activity Gift Certificate |
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END OF COMMUNITY MEETING (**Community meetings have a one hour time limit). There will be a short break between the two meetings. Residents are welcome to stay for the Business Meeting.

Business Meeting

I. Commission Business Meeting Call to Order

- a. Commission Business (15 minutes)
 - 1. Becker Park Planning
 - a. Review Meeting
 - b. Next meeting June 2 at CCC
 - 2. Welcome Park Plans Open House Feedback
 - 3. Park Tour May 11
- b. Reports (10 minutes)
 - 1. Chairperson report- Nancy
 - a. Bi-laws submitted to City Attorney for review
 - 2. City Council report-Elizabeth
 - 3. Crystal Fund update-Guy
 - 4. Questions/Updates on the reports in the Dropbox
 - a. Crystal Frolics, CBA, monthly staff reports
- c. Other Business (10 minutes)
 - 1. Approval of minutes
 - 2. Other business items
 - 3. Community new items
 - 4. Next meeting date: Wednesday, June 1 at Becker Park

2. Adjournment

PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
MEETING OVERVIEW

Please call the Recreation Office (763.531.0052) if you cannot attend – thanks!
Crystal Community Center – 4800 Douglas Drive North

Wednesday May 4, 2016 – 6:00pm
NORTH LIONS PARK CLEAN-UP

Wednesday May 4, 2016, - 6:30pm
ARBOR DAY AT NORTH LIONS

- Item 1** **Introductions by Mayor Adams and Tree Board Chair Erin Kolb.**
- Item 2** **Arbor Day Proclamation**
Read by Mayor Adams
- Item 3** **Award Arbor Day Poster Contest Winners**
Awarded by Mayor Adams and Erin Kolb
- Item 4** **Tree Care**
Brad will give a brief talk on the urban forest and the Emerald Ash Borer pest
- Item 5** **Arbor Day Tree**
The Parks Department planted new trees in the park to replace Ash trees – residents can help mulch them
- Item 6** **Tree Giveaway**
Brad has 60 bare root trees to give away to participants

Wednesday May 4, 2016 – 7:00pm
NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

- Item 1** **Call meeting to order.**
Nancy will give the purpose of the meeting
Introductions of Commission and City Staff
- Item 2** **Neighborhood Business**
Brad Fortin will provide residents with information on current and upcoming city projects
Chief Revering will inform residents of Neighborhood Watch programs and safety tips
Residents will have the opportunity to ask questions/make comments on the above
- Item 4** **Overview on Park and Recreation Facilities, Programs & Projects**
Staff will give highlights of park projects and upcoming programs

Resident Comments on Park and Recreation Facilities and Programs
Drawing for Recreation Activity Gift Certificate

Wednesday May 4, 2016 – 7:00pm
COMMISSION BUSINESS MEETING
7:45pm (time approximate)

****Please note that these items are in the dropbox for your review:**

- Monthly Reports
- Note: There will be time for brief updates on any of the monthly reports

Item1

Call meeting to order

Commission Business (15 minutes)

Becker Park Planning – Review of last month’s meeting.

Staff will highlight the planning for the June 2 meeting.

Welcome Park Meeting – Review of feedback received.

Update on project.

Reminder of the park tour on May 11 – full information will be sent out by the end of the week

Reports (10 minutes)

Nancy: Update on the ByLaws: sent to the City of Attorney
for review

Elizabeth: City Council Meeting update

Guy: Crystal Fund

Questions/updates on the reports in the dropbox:

Crystal Frolics, CBA, Monthly Staff Reports

Other Business (10 minutes)

Approval of Minutes

Other Business Items?

Community News Items?

Next Neighborhood/ Commission meeting: Wednesday June 1 at Becker Park

Item 2

Adjournment.

Crystal Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
April 6, 2016
Crystal Community Center

The Parks and Recreation Commission Tree Board meeting was called to order at 6:38pm by Tree Board Chairperson Erin Kolb. Tree Board members in attendance were: Lynn Haney, Lori Merriam, Erin Kolb, Meredith Torres-Walsh, Tom Jungroth and Guy Mueller. Also present were Elizabeth Dahl, Council Liaison; Scott Berggren, Brad Fortin, and Gene Hackett from the city staff.

Mr. Fortin reviewed the Forestry Annual report, highlighting work that was done in the past year. The Tree Board discussed the boulevard planting ordinance and thought it should be looked into for some changes. Mr. Fortin explained that there were some issues with the boulevard trees regarding sidewalk and sewer issues and tree trimming at additional costs to the city. Mr. Fortin said he will look further into the issue and see what he might recommend.

The Arbor days plans were reviewed. The Crystal Fund is donating money for the tree giveaway. Volunteers for the event include: Lori, Meredith, Tom, Nancy and Erin and Elizabeth.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:59pm.

The Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Chairperson Nancy LaRoche. Commission members in attendance were: Lynn Haney, Lori Merriam, Erin Kolb, Meredith Torres-Walsh, Guy Mueller, Mark Novak and Lassana Bamba Jr.. Also present were Elizabeth Dahl, Council Liaison; Scott Berggren, Brad Fortin, and Gene Hackett from the city staff.

Presenters Richard and Irina Fursman worked with the Commission to begin the Becker Park redevelopment process. This meeting was to determine the key questions for the consensus planning workshop. Discussion was held on 2 main topics: current status and the desired status; and then additional discussion on whom the stakeholders would be for future meetings. Several topics were discussed. The stakeholder meeting was scheduled for Thursday June 2.

The minutes were approved as sent.

Mr. Fortin and Mr. Berggren reviewed the Welcome Park plans for the April 20th Open House. Commission members should attend – the following people said they would be there: Lynn, Nancy, and Erin.

The Commission decided to keep the scheduled May 11 park tour.

Minutes: April 2016

Mr. Fortin showed the Commission what the Bassett Creek Regional Trail map kiosk will look like it will be placed near 32nd and Adair Avenue N. The trail agreement with Three Rives Park District went to the City Council on April 5 and was approved.

Mr. Jungroth asked Mr. Fortin about cutting down/trimming trees at Becker Park as some have grown to obscure the facility. Mr. Fortin said that is on his work plan.

Monthly reports were discussed. Ms. Haney added that Half Price Books and Love Works will be Crystal Frolics sponsors. The button contest entry has been extended. Ms Dahl added that she and Councilmember Peak are working to put together a Task Force on volunteers.

Mr. Fortin informed the Commission that a resident living near Hagemeister Pond Preserve has been very helpful in keeping the park clean. The Commission will send a thank you note.

Mr. Mueller reported that the Crystal Fund is donating to the city for:

- Arbor Day trees
- Accessible swings in playgrounds
- Updating the park signs

Members were reminded of the Crystal Business Expo on April 23 from 11 – 2.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20pm.

Gene Hackett
Recorder

Arbor Day in Crystal

"Celebrate Trees in our Community"

Wednesday, May 4 from 6:00-7:00 pm

AT NORTH LIONS PARK

61st and Kentucky Ave N

6:00 – 6:30 pm ▪ Park clean-up Event
▪ Bring your own gloves, rakes, etc.

Arbor Day Events 6:30– 7:00 pm

- Poster Contest Winners Awards
- Arbor Day Proclamation
- Urban Forest: Brad Fortin, Park Superintendent
- Tree Planting
- Tree Giveaway

**Join in the fun!
at this Free Event**

Event will be held Rain or Shine/Hot Dogs and Refreshments served while supplies last

7:00 pm North Lions Park Neighborhood Meeting

Be a part of making your community the best it can be!



Crystal Recreation

Get registered at webtrac.crystalmn.gov. For more information call 763-531-0052.
Mail registration to: Crystal Recreation, 4800 Douglas Drive N, Crystal, MN 55429
To find us on Facebook go to www.facebook.com/crystalrec



Park & Recreation Advisory Commission

Nighborhood Meeting North Lions Park Neighborhood 61st and Kentucky Ave N

In case of inclement weather the meeting will be held inside the shelter building



Wednesday, May 4, 2016
7:00 pm

Bring your family to the scheduled events before the meeting:

6:00 pm-Park Clean Up Event
6:30 pm-Arbor Day Celebration

**The Park and Recreation
Advisory Commission invites you
to attend and learn more about:**

- **Parks and Recreation Facilities and Services**
- **Crime Watch/Neighborhood Safety**
- **City of Crystal Information**

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call the meeting to order
2. Introductions of the Commission and City Staff
3. Neighborhood Business
 - A. City Information and Projects
 - B. Neighborhood Watch/Safety
 - C. Questions/Comments
4. Park and Recreation Facilities, Programs and Projects
 - A. Resident Comments
 - B. Drawing for a Recreation Activity Certificate

Please inform your neighbors and anyone else that may be interested in attending this meeting

Please turn over to complete a quick survey about your park

North Lions Park Survey

Thank you for your interest in the City of Crystal Neighborhood meeting at North Lions Park. It is our goal to provide the best quality services available. Let us know how we are doing?



1. Check all the park amenities your family use at this park?

Check all that apply.

- Basketball Court
- Picnic Shelter
- Playground Equipment
- Softball Field
- Sliding Hill
- Tennis Courts
- Volleyball Courts
- Little Library

How often does your family visit North Lions Park?

- daily
- weekly
- 1-10 times per year
- 10-20 times per year
- more than 20 times per year
- Other:

Please list any improvements or recommendations you have for this park?

How many Crystal Recreation programs have you or your family registered for or participated in during the past year?

- 1-3
- 4-7
- 8 or more

How does your family learn about Crystal Recreation Programs and Services?

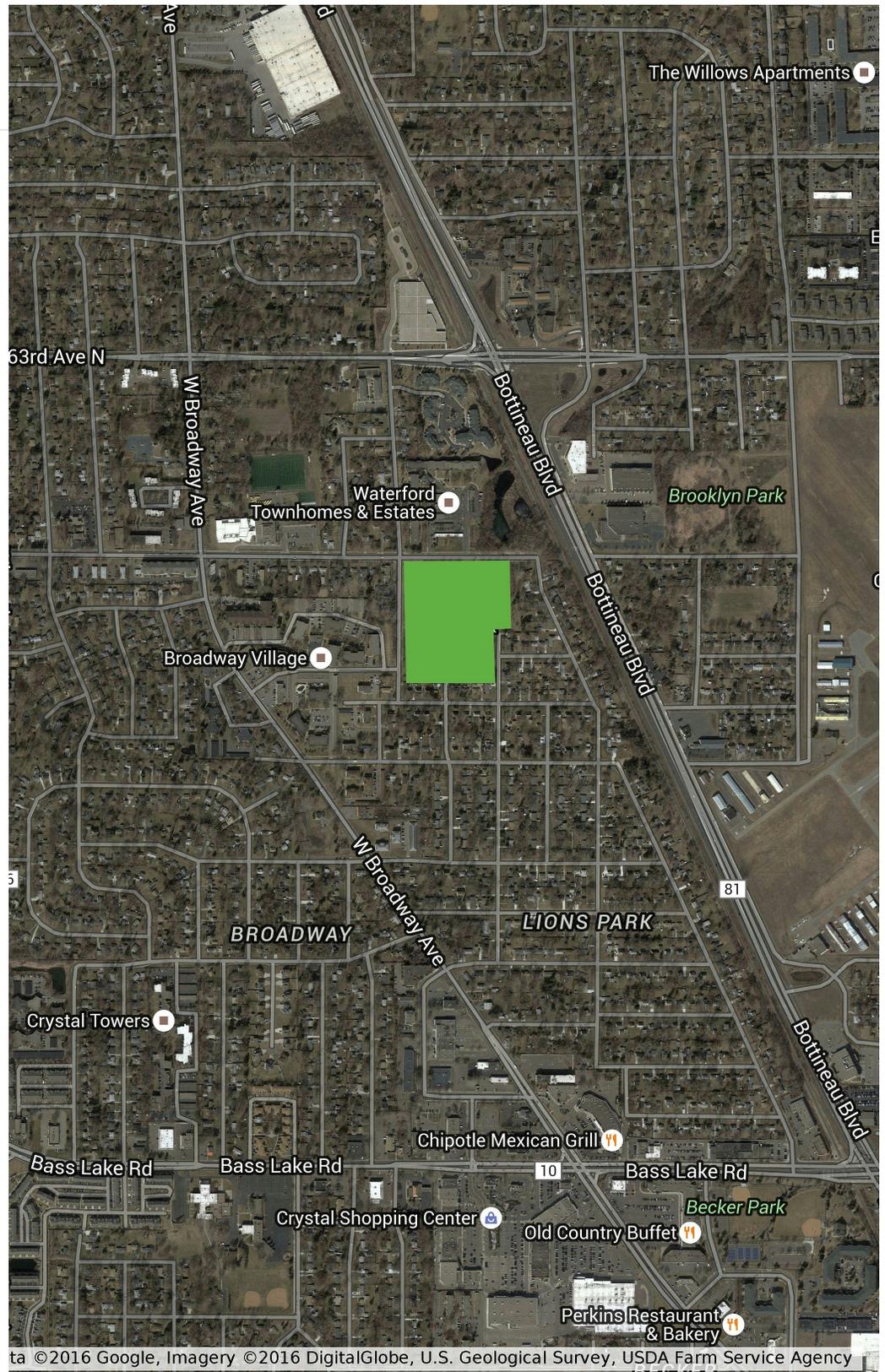
- Recreation Brochure
- Program Flyer
- Newspaper
- Cable TV
- Social Media
- E-mail Campaign
- Other:

North Lions Park

Park Overview

 North Lions

Located at: 6100 Kentucky Avenue North



North Lions Park

Address: 6100 Kentucky Avenue North

Size (acres): 12

Park Category: Community

Existing Facilities:

Basketball court - Full court; 2 baskets

Tennis court (2); lights (5 poles, 9 fixtures); asphalt surface

Picnic shelter

BBQ grills (5)

Park Shelter Building

Playground; 7104 sq. ft.

Parking lots (2)

Paved trail

Permanent benches (6)

Volleyball courts (2)

Baseball field (primary) - Backstop, player's benches

5-row bleachers (1)

Sliding Hill

