1. Call to Order

2. Additions to and Approval of Agenda

3. Approval of RPAC Minutes from July 6, 2021

4. Presentation(s)/Public Comment

5. Reports:
   A. Parks
   B. Community Center & Recreation

6. New Business:
   A. Approved tree planting list
   B. Methodist Church Community garden

7. Old Business:
   A. Community Garden at Word of Life Church Update

8. Next Meeting: September 7, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

9. Future Agenda Items

10. Adjourn
The Regular Meeting of RPAC was held on Tuesday, July 6 2021, at 6:00PM via virtual webinar.

**RPAC Members present:** J Jones, R Wilke, L Mahoney; **RPAC Members absent:** None; **Advisory Members present:** Scott Schroeder, **Advisory Members absent:** M Sullivan, Allison Watkins

**Meeting called to order by Vice Chairperson L Mahoney at 6:00 PM.**

**Approval of Agenda:**
- Motion by J Jones to approve the agenda as presented and seconded by R Wilke.
- Voting in favor: J Jones, R Wilke, L Mahoney; Members voting no: None
- Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:**
- Motion by L Mahoney to approve the March 18, 2021 minutes and seconded by R Wilke.
- Voting in favor: J Jones, R Wilke, L Mahoney; Members voting no: None
- Motion carried.

**Presentation/Public Comment:**
- No public comments.

**Reports:**
- **A. Parks:**
  - Schroeder gave an update on the Parks.
- **B. Community Center and Recreation:**
  - Schroeder gave an update on recreation programs and the Community Center, discussed future potential offerings of programs, and gave a quarterly update on memberships.

**New Business:**
- **A. Skate Park**
  - Mahoney discussed updates on the skate park. Schroeder will find out if group has started fund raising.

**Old Business:**
- **A. Community Garden at Word of Life Church**
  - Vice-Chair Mahoney gave an update of the discussion with a representative from the Word of Life Church. Discussed in detail the options for having a garden on the north end.

**Next meeting will be Tuesday, August 3, 2021 @ 6:00PM**

**Items for upcoming meetings:** Approved tree planting list

**Adjournment:**
- Motion by J Jones and seconded by L Mahoney to adjourn.
- Voting in favor: J Jones, R Wilke, L Mahoney; Members voting no: None
- Meeting adjourned.
TO: RPAC Chair and Board
FROM: Scott Schroeder, Public Works Manager
SUBJECT: Park Staff Report
DATE: RPAC Meeting of Tuesday, August 3, 2021

PURPOSE
Park status updates.

Park Status:

- **American Legion:**
  - Dead elm removed by the shelter.

- **Cedar Ridge Trails:**
  - Nothing to report

- **Jo Eagle Anderson:**
  - Nothing to report

- **Le Sueur Dog Park:**
  - Waiting on solar bench to be delivered

- **Mayo:**
  - Nothing to report

- **Mothers Louise:**
  - Nothing to report

- **Pierre Le Sueur:**
  - Nothing to report

- **River:**
  - Working on quotes to demo restroom building

**Park Reservations:** Staff is taking reservations for American Legion, Jo Eagle Anderson, and Mayo park shelters.

**ACTION REQUESTED**
Recognize & accept this month’s report from staff.
TO: RPAC Chair and Board
FROM: Allison Watkins, Recreation Manager
SUBJECT: Community Center & Recreation Report
DATE: For the RPAC Meeting of Tuesday, August 3, 2021

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED
To provide the RPAC Committee information to have a continued discussion regarding Le Sueur Community Center services and recreation programs.

SUMMARY
Community Center
The kickoff meeting for the task force was July 15. The members were taken on a facility tour, were able to ask questions and Jasper went over some financials and numbers associated with memberships. Future meetings will consist of discussions on the indoor pool and master planning.

Summer ice ends Aug. 25 and the compressor will be turned off that day and Ice will be taken out Aug. 26.
- 60 hours used by 507 Hockey Camps
- 3 hours used by high school girls’ team
- 51 hours used for open hockey’s & public skates
- 49 admissions as of July 26.
The regular ice season starts October 2.

Outdoor Pool
Swim lessons have been well attended this summer. The last session just started and ends Aug. 5. We had 122 registrations this summer for lessons. The waterslide was closed for 17 days following an incident on July 4 but was repaired and reopened July 21. End of season hours start August 16th. Attendance as of July 25 has been 3,957 visitors.

Recreation
Participant registration numbers for programs

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Programs to start later in August
Contact football
Water ski lessons
Wakeboarding lessons

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED
Recognize & accept this month’s report from Le Sueur Recreation staff.
2021 City of Le Sueur Approved Boulevard Trees

A comprehensive list of all species currently approved by the City of Le Sueur for boulevard and Right of Way (ROW) tree planting. All trees desired by owner from the approved planting list may not be allowed due to tree diversity in the area, site conditions, or planting space restrictions.

* Denotes Native to Minnesota

- **Alder**
  - *Alnus spp.*
  - Height: 30-50’
  - Width: 20-40’
  - Hardiness Zone: 3 to 7
  - Description: Oval narrow crown, yellow fall color, ornamentally attractive ‘cones’ in winter, nitrogen fixer.

- **Buckeye, Ohio**
  - *Aesculus glabra*
  - Height: 20-40’
  - Width: 20-35’
  - Hardiness Zone: 3 to 7
  - Description: Rounded crown, yellow to orange fall color, attractive bark texture and large distinct buds provide winter interest. Ohio buckeye’s have a prickly husk enclosing a buckeye nut.

- **Cherry, Amur Choke**
  - *Prunus maackii*
  - Height: 20-30’
  - Width: 18-25’
  - Hardiness Zone: 2 to 6
  - Description: Dense and broadly rounded crown, yellow fall color, attractive, exfoliating golden to russet brown bark. Produces fragrant white flowers in 6-10 flower clusters in April and May followed by 1/4” diameter black cherry fruit

- **Corktree, Amur - Seedless Selection Only**
  - *Phellodendron amurense*
  - Height: 30-45’
  - Width: 30-60’
  - Hardiness Zone: 3 to 7 Description: Rounded, broad spreading crown, yellow fall color, lovely corky bark. No serious insect or disease problems
- Cultivars include: Macho, Shademaster or Superfection

- *Crabapple
  - *Malus* spp.
  - Height: 15-30', varies by species
  - Width: 15-25', varies by species
  - Hardiness Zone: 3 to 8
  - Description: Rounded, broad, spreading crown, fall color and intensity will vary by species. Flowering tree with small fruit that may persists into winter. Textured, scale-like bark. Due to the number of cultivars available select cultivar that meets these requirements: 15ft or larger at maturity, fruit size is 1/2" or less or has persistent fruit, and has good to excellent disease resistance against scab, fireblight, cedar apple rust, and mildew.
  - Cultivars include Adams, Donald Wyman, Harvest Gold, Indian Magic, Prairie Fire, Profusion, Red Jewel, Royal Raindrops, Snowdrift, Sugar Tyme, Zumi Calocarpa, other cultivars upon approval.

- *Hackberry
  - *Celtis occidentalis*
  - Height: 40-60'
  - Width: 40-60'
  - Hardiness Zone: 2 to 9
  - Description: Vase shaped, rounded crown with fall yellow color, grey, ridged, warty bark. Produces small, berry like fruit that attract birds.

- *Hickory, shagbark
  - *Carya ovata*
  - Height: 70-90'
  - Width: 50-70'
  - Hardiness Zone: 4-8
  - Description: Irregular, oval-rounded crown, yellow to golden brown fall color, textured 'shaggy' bark peels off in long, vertical strips. Produces edible, oval rounded nuts. No serious insect or disease problems.

- *Honeylocust, Thornless - Seedless Selection Only*
  - *Gledistia triacanthos var. inermis*
  - Height: 60-80'
  - Width: 60-80'
  - Hardiness Zone: 3 to 8
o Description: Broad spreading crown, yellow fall color. On mature trees, bark breaks into thin, flat longitudinal ridges. Produces a twisted dark purple-brown seed pods. Dappled shade is produced by leaflets in summer.
  o Cultivars include: Northern Acclaim, Skyline, Shademaster, Sunburst

- *Hop hornbeam/Ironwood
  o Ostrya virginiana
  o Height: 25-40'
  o Width: 20-30'
  o Hardiness Zone: 3 to 9
  o Description: Rounded crown, yellow fall color, reddish-brown bark peels in longitudinal strips, produces hop-like seed bearing pods

- Horse Chestnut, red
  o Aesculus glabra
  o Height: 30-40'
  o Width: 25-35'
  o Hardiness Zone: 5 to 8
  o Description: Upright, oval crown with yellow fall color. Large distinctive buds. Produces very showy red flowers in May followed by prickly husks enclosing 2 to 3 inedible horsechestnuts.

- Lilac, Japanese Tree
  o Syringa reticulata
  o Height: 20-25'
  o Width: 30-50'
  o Hardiness Zone: 3 to 7
  o Description: Rounded crown, yellow fall color, glossy red-brown bark with elongated white lenticels. Produces creamy white, densely clustered, fragrant flowers in May and June. Attracts hummingbirds and butterflies. No serious insect or disease problems.

- Linden, American
  o Tilia americana
  o Height: 50-80'
  o Width: 15-20'
  o Hardiness Zone: 2 to 8
  o Description: Oval, rounded crown with yellow fall color. Produces fragrant, pale yellow flowers in June. Attracts butterflies.

- Maackia, Amur
- **Maackia amurensis**
  - Height: 20-30'
  - Width: 20-30'
  - Hardiness Zone: 3 to 7
  - Description: Broad, rounded crown, yellow fall color. Copper bronze, exfoliating bark and flat seed pods 2-3". No serious insect or disease problems.

- **Magnolia, cucumber**
  - **Magnolia acuminata**
    - Height: 40-60'
    - Width: 20-20'
    - Hardiness Zone: 3 to 8
    - Description: Pyramidal when young, matures to rounded. Fall color is tan to yellow. Produces large distinctive buds and green tinted flowers in April and May followed by small and 'cucumber-like' fruit and turns pink red in late summer.

- **Maple, red**
  - **Acer rubrum**
    - Height: 40-70'
    - Width: 30-50'
    - Hardiness zone: 4 to 8
    - Description: Rounded to oval crown. New growth, leaves, leafstalks, twigs, winter buds, flowers, fruit and fall color are tinged with red.

- **Maple, sugar**
  - **Acer saccharum**
    - Height: 40-80'
    - Width: 30-60'
    - Hardiness zone: 3 to 8
    - Description: Dense, rounded crown, bright yellow-orange fall color. Sap is used for maple syrup.

- **Mountain ash, European**
  - **Sorbus aucuparia**
    - Height: 20-40'
    - Width: 8-20'
    - Hardiness zone: 3 to 6
    - Description: Narrow, upright, oval crown. Has yellow to reddish-purple fall color. Showy white flowers are produced in May. Clusters of red fruit in fall may persist into early winter. Attracts birds.

- **Mountain ash, Korean**
- **Sorbus alnifolia**
  - Height: 40-50'
  - Width: 20-25'
  - Hardiness zone: 3 to 7
  - Description: Dense, pyramidal to round crown. Yellow fall color. Showy white flowers bloom in May followed by clusters of red fall fruit that may persist into winter.

- **Oak, black**
  - **Quercus velutina**
    - Height: 50-60'
    - Width: 50-60'
    - Hardiness zone: 3 to 8
    - Description: Globular, spreading crown with yellow to yellow brown to dull red fall color. Produces acorns. Attracts wildlife.

- **Oak, bur**
  - **Quercus macrocarpa**
    - Height: 50-80'
    - Width: 60-80'
    - Hardiness zone: 3 to 8
    - Description: Broad spreading, rounded crown with yellow-brown fall color. Produces acorns. Attracts wildlife.

- **Oak, Northern Pin**
  - **Quercus ellipsoidalis**
    - Height: 50-70'
    - Width: 40-60'
    - Hardiness zone: 4 to 7
    - Description: Cylindrical shape and rounded crown with red fall color. Produces acorns. Attracts wildlife.

- **Oak, red**
  - **Quercus rubra**
    - Height: 50-75'
    - Width: 50-75'
    - Hardiness zone: 4 to 8
    - Description: Rounded, spreading, often irregular crown with red fall color. Produces acorns. Attracts wildlife.

- **Oak, swamp white**
  - **Quercus bicolor**
    - Height: 50-60'
    - Width: 50-60'
- Hardiness zone: 3 to 8
- Description: Broad, rounded crown with yellow, bronze fall color. Has attractive peeling bark when young. Leaves may persist throughout winter. Produces acorns. Attracts wildlife.

- Plum 'Princess Kay'
  - Prunus nigra
  - Height: 15-30'
  - Width: 8-10'
  - Description: Oval crown with bright red and yellow fall color. White showy early spring flowers. Hardiness zone: 2 to 6

Conifers listed below are currently recommended for the use in Le Sueur

- Conifers are not allowed to be planted on City boulevards or City ROW.
- Maybe used for screen /buffer in the landscape.
- All conifers, except Larch retain their needles in Fall/Winter.
- All conifers listed demonstrate hardiness in Zone 4 and may be used as screening/Buffer in the landscape.

- Cedar
  - Thuja (Also called Arborvitae)
    - * Red
    - T.virginiana
    - Height 50 - 70’
    - Width 25’
    - Hardiness zone 4 to 5
    - Description: Has a natural conical shape. It grows between 50 and 70 feet tall with a 25-foot spread in cultivation, but wild trees can reach heights of 200 feet. Its foliage grows all the way to the ground. The trunk is covered in furrowed reddish-brown bark that turns gray as the tree matures. The scaly dark-green leaves have a resin gland that yields a fragrant odor when crushed

- White:
  - Height 40-50’
  - Width 12 - 20’
  - Hardiness zone 4 to 8
  - Description: slow growing, long-lived. Tolerant of moist soil. Avoid sandy soils. Overlapping scaly needles; clusters of small ½” cones. Responds well to shearing.
    - *White

- Fir (White)
- **Larch**
  - *American
  - Height 40 - 60’
  - Width 20’
  - Hardiness zone 4 to 6

- **Juniper**
  - *Red Juniper
  - Rocky Mountain

- **Pines**
  - *Eastern White (Also called Northern White Pine)
  - *Jack
  - *Red
  - Swiss Stone

- **Spruce**
  - Black Hills
  - Colorado or Blue Spruce
  - Norway
  - *White

- **The following trees may not be used in City Boulevards or City ROW**
  - Ash
  - Black Walnut
  - Box Elder
  - Common or European Buckthorn
  - Cottonwood
  - Gingko Females (Males are permitted)
  - Glossy Buckthorn includes all cultivars
  - Mulberry
  - Pin Oak
  - Poplars
  - Russian Olive
  - Silver Maple

- **Description:** The white fir grows in acidic, loamy, moist, sandy and well-drained soils. It prefers normal moisture but has moderate drought tolerance. Features needles that are bluish or silvery-green and roughly 1½–3” in length. They extend from all sides of the twig and curve upward. Grows in a pyramidal shape.
Alder

Ohio Buckeye

Amur Choke Cherry

Amur Cork tree (seedless)

Crabapple

Hackberry

Shagbark Hickory hornbeam/Ironwood

Thornless Honeylocust

Hop
Conifers

Red Cedar
White Cedar
White Fir

American Larch Fir
Red Juniper tree
Jack Pine

Norway Spruce
Blue Spruce
Black Hills Spruce