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3 MINNEAPOLIS PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
4 MINUTES
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6 **Regular Meeting**

7
8 November 4, 2009
9 5:00 p.m. – 2117 West River Rd.
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11 President Nordyke called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.
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13 **ROLL CALL**

14 Present: Commissioners Walt Dziedzic, Bob Fine, Carol Kummer, Mary Merrill Anderson, Jon
15 Olson, Scott Vreeland, Annie Young, and President Tom Nordyke - 8.
16 Absent: Tracy Nordstrom - 1.
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18 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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20 Commissioner Vreeland moved, seconded by Commissioner Fine -
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22 THAT THE AGENDA AS AMENDED BE APPROVED.

23 Commissioner Olson moved, seconded by Commissioner Vreeland

24 THAT THE BOARD REMOVE ITEM 8.2 FROM THE AGENDA.

25 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote** (Commissioners Fine and Dziedzic oppose).
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27 President Nordyke called the question on the original motion as amended -
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29 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**
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31 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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33 Commissioner Vreeland moved, seconded by Commissioner Kummer -
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35 THAT THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 21, 2009 REGULAR MEETING BE
36 APPROVED.

37 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**
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39 **PUBLIC HEARING**

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41 The time being 5:05 p.m. President Nordyke opened the Public Hearing – Tree Assessments.
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43 President Nordyke called upon Juli Wiseman, finance manager for a short presentation. Ms.
44 Wiseman then responded to questions by the Board.
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1 John Wright, 10xx Logan Ave N stated that he had received many diseased tree notices, however
2 did not feel that the tree was diseased, none the less decided to remove the tree himself. The
3 removal took two to three months during which further notices were received. Additional notice
4 was received once the tree remains were stacked for removal, at which point the tree remains
5 were removed. Mr. Wright continued, stating that he thought that his children had removed the
6 tree, but then received a bill for tree removal. Mr. Wright stated that he would like to contest the
7 bill for a tree he believes to have not been diseased.

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9 Being that there no additional persons wishing to be heard, President Nordyke closed the public
10 hearing at 5:16 p.m.

11 **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

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14 There were no "Reports of Officers" to be heard

15 **CONSENT BUSINESS**

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18 Commissioner Vreeland moved, seconded by Commissioner Young -

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20 2.1 THAT THE BOARD APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO RACHEL
21 CONTRACTING, LLC, CONTRACT NO. 26997, OP #7153, FOR BLUFF
22 REPAIR ALONG WEST RIVER parkway, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 70,402.68
23 FOR A NEW CONTRACT TOTAL OF \$388,205.98. (FUNDING SOURCE: O
24 & M Lottery-in-Lieu and THE MISSISSIPPI WATERSHED MANAGEMENT
25 ORGANIZATION).

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27 2.2 THAT THE BOARD, CONTINGENT UPON STAFF RECEIVING THE CITY
28 PURCHASING DEPARTMENT'S APPROVAL LETTER, AUTHORIZES
29 ACCEPTANCE OF THE LOW BID FROM MIDWEST IRRIGATION, LLC.,
30 O.P. NO. 7211, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$563,400.00 TO FURNISH ALL
31 LABOR, MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT, AND INCIDENTALS FOR
32 INSTALLATION OF AN AUTOMATIC IRRIGATION SYSTEM AT
33 COLUMBIA GOLF CLUB, ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH
34 SPECIFICATIONS AS FOLLOWS:

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36 BASE BID \$531,800.00
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38 ALTERNATE NO 1 – PARKING LOT IRRIGATION \$ 24,600.00
39 ALTERNATE NO 2 – REMOVE EXISTING COMPONENTS \$ 3,600.00
40 ALTERNATE NO 4 – RANGE TEE IRRIGATION ADDITION \$ 3,400.00

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42 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**

43 **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

44 **ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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46 Commissioner S. Vreeland, Chair; Commissioners M. Merrill Anderson,
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1 B. Fine, A. Young and J. Olson

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3 Commissioner Vreeland moved, seconded by Commissioner Young -

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5 7.1 THAT THE BOARD INTRODUCE AND GIVE FIRST READING TO
6 ORDINANCE NO. 2009-103, CAPTIONED AS FOLLOWS:

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8 ORDINANCE 2009-103

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10 AMENDING CHAPTER 10 OF THE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
11 CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO DISEASED TREES AND THE
12 MPRB AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY.

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14 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**

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16 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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18 Commissioner Vreeland moved, seconded by Commissioner Young -

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20 8.1 THAT THE BOARD ADOPT RESOLUTION 2009-171, CAPTIONED AS
21 FOLLOWS:

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23 RESOLUTION NO. 2009-171

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25 ASSESSING CERTAIN PROPERTIES TO DEFRAID
26 THE COST OF REMOVING DISEASE ELM TREES
27 FROM SAID PROPERTY DURING 2008 & 2009

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29 **Action Taken: Approved on a voice vote.**

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31 **NEW BUSINESS**

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33 There was no "New Business" to be heard.

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35 **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

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37 1.1 Thank you letter dated October 8, 2009 from Diana Armstrong HPC Committee Clerk,
38 CPED Preservation and Design to Ralph Sievert, Director Park Forestry regarding
39 summer walking tour, *Tree Canopy*.

40 **PLACED ON FILE**

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42 1.2 Thank you email dated October 15, 2009 from Council Member Diane Hofstede to
43 Superintendent Gurban regarding the Third Ward Summit/Neighborhood fest.

44 **PLACED ON FILE**

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1 1.3 Email dated October 20, 2009 from Jane Slavin to Janell Wojtowicz, Communications
2 specialist regarding events, public spaces, cleanliness and beauty of the city, its lakes and
3 parks.

4 **PLACED ON FILE**

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6 1.4 Letter submitted by Commissioner Kummer from Valerie Sparrow, thanking Tom
7 Montrose for prompt service to a request for removal of a Ginkgo tree.

8 **PLACED ON FILE**

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10 Commissioners reported on communications received and activities that have taken place since
11 the October 21, 2009 Regular meeting.

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13 Copies of communications submitted by Commissioners are made part of the Board's permanent
14 record.

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16 **OPEN TIME**

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18 There was no one wishing to be heard during "Open Time".

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20 **ADJOURNMENT**

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22 The time being 5:29 p.m. Commissioner Vreeland moved seconded by Commissioner Kummer -

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24 **THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.**

25 **Action Taken: Approved on a Voice Vote. Regular Meeting adjourned at 5:29 p.m.**