

LET'S GET STILLWATER'S NEW PARK NAME RIGHT

“The name we give to something shapes our attitude toward it.

Katherine Paterson, novelist

POSSIBLE PARK ACTIVITIES

Birding
Field Guides
Storybook Trail and Art History
Kayak + Canoe Landing
Walking, Fishing, Picnics
Bicycling Rest Stop
Planned Swimming Beach

Can you think of others?

POTENTIAL NAMES

Birding
Heron Rookery Park
Ecology
Wild & Scenic Park
Observation
Place Where the Birds Gather

Ojibwe
Ho-Ka Be Park
(Ojibwe for heron, to hatch)

Canoeing
Abwi Landing
(Ojibwe for paddle)

Stillness + Renewal
Anwebi Landing
(Ojibwe for he/she rests)

Legacy Park
Oneota Park

Can you think of others?

St. Croix Valley community members have come together to revisit the opportunity to name a new flagship Stillwater park and celebrate the area's long human history and exceptional natural resources. We welcome anyone who wishes to join this effort. **We need your input, ideas and advocacy.**

WHAT Creating a vision and framework to support the consideration of a new place name for Lumberjack Landing, formerly known as North Aiple Park.

WHY With appreciation and acknowledgment for the work of the Stillwater Parks and Recreation Commission and the Stillwater City Council, we seek additional brainstorming around different ideas.

We believe the city can do better than “Lumberjack Landing,” and has a responsibility to thoughtfully consider the message delivered by a park name. We seek a name that can be woven into what was, what is and what can be. A name can be multi-dimensional, descriptive and inspirational. **Names should remain relevant as the community grows and changes.**

Stillwater has promoted a lumberjack narrative for decades. It is an important part of the community's heritage, but is widely used and overshadows other stories. We seek a comprehensive perspective—there is more here to share and more to build upon. Logging lasted less than a century, while the river valley's human and natural history stretches back at least 10,000 years.

THEMES The North Aiple Park Master Plan highlights “passive park” themes meaning no organized recreational sports. Passive, however, does not mean inactive. The Master Plan and the public survey respondents highlight the area's natural assets: **natural vegetation and natural beauty, preservation and restoration, peace and quiet.**

BRAINSTORMING PROMPTS Recently, the region marked the 50th anniversary of the Wild & Scenic Rivers Act and the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service. **As a National Scenic Riverway, the St. Croix is praised for its conservation and stewardship.**

This natural resource is an inspiring part of our region's future. From the gap just north of the park, visitors can see where the river becomes a lake. The property is uniquely positioned where the waters slow and the river widens. This is one inspiration for the name Stillwater, **a place where the pace of the river slows—unhurried as it moves along.**

NEXT What DO we want? **Please share your feedback and thoughts, be kind, be creative, be community-centric.**

VISIT WWW.STILLWATERPARKNAME.WIXSITE.COM/SITE TO CONTRIBUTE YOUR IDEAS BY JUNE 30.

We'd like to present options to the City Council at their August 10th workshop.

