



**CITY OF JORDAN
MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

MONDAY, February 26, 2007

**JORDAN GOVERNMENT CENTER
210 E. 1st St.
Jordan, MN 55352
Council Chambers**

Ron Beckman, Chair
Jerry Langsweirdt,
Vice Chair
Tania Branitski
Donna Breeggemann
Tim Bischke
Chris Schwingler
Willy Pauly

Ron Jabs, Mayor and
Council
representative

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Chair Ron Beckman.

Attending the meeting were Chair Ron Beckman, Vice Chair Jerry Langsweirdt, Chris Schwingler, Donna Breeggemann, Tim Bischke and Willy Pauly.

Staff in attendance was Senior Planner Joe Janish and Planner Casey MacCallum.

ADOPT AGENDA: Unanimous approval to set the agenda with an addition to item 4 "introduction."

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: *Motion by Jerry Langsweirdt, seconded by Chris Schwingler, to accept the January 22, 2007 regular meeting minutes amended to show Chris Schwingler was present. Motion unanimously approved.*

PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS: Tim Bischke, a former Planning Commission member, was recently appointed by Mayor Ron Jabs to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

OLD BUSINESS: There was one item of old business.

MNDOT Rest Stop/Sawmill Trail Bridge: Staff presented the Commission with the costs and feasibility of constructing a bridge across the Sand Creek from the proposed Sawmill Trail to the MNDOT Rest stop. The estimated cost of the bridge is \$212,451.25 and would provide access to a future Regional Trail. Attached you will find a map showing the best route our City Engineer has determined for the trail and bridge placement.

Motion by Willy Pauly, seconded by Tim Bischke, to table the bridge discussion until more information is available regarding the opportunity to purchase the MNDOT Rest stop. Motion unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS: There were two items of new business.

Holzer Park Service Project: During the January 22nd Parks and Recreation meeting Donna Breeggemann discussed the Minnesota Sports Turf Management Association (MSTMA), who assist in developing and improving ball parks. They accept one community service project per year (and usually receive only one application), where they provide expertise, labor, material donations and need assessment. The timeline starts by submitting a request in May, and MSTMA decides shortly after site inspections at the end of June. The one day service project would happen in the fall and Jordan would need to bring about 10 volunteers, lunch and may need to purchase materials.

Staff was directed to provide an analysis of the Holzer Parks use, age brackets, and potential change in the fields size, use and arrangement.

PLANNER'S REPORT: There were three items on the Planner's Report.

Parks Account: As of January, 2007 the Park Dedication Account was \$540,297.43 and Park Equipment Fund was \$120,502.21 as reviewed by the Commission.

This item was informational only.

Pool RFP Update: At the January 22nd Parks and Recreation meeting the Commission recommended the Council accept the draft Request For Proposal (RFP) for an Outdoor Aquatic Community Center Feasibility Study (OACCFS). With City Council approval, the RFP was mailed the first week of February to the recommended list. The application deadline is March 9th and Parks and Recreation may conduct interviews at their March 26th meeting, depending on the applicant pool.

This item was informational only.

DNR Trail Connection Grant Update: The application staff presented to the Commission on January 22nd was amended for the February 20th Council meeting to exclude the section east of Hillside Dr. to Highway 21. This section alone would cost \$249,410.00, due to constructing a retaining wall. The entire cost for the other segments are \$147,423.38. Staff is researching striping the shoulder on Co. Rd. 66 or diverting bikes along Hillside Ave.

This item was informational only.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT: Three Commissioners spoke.

Chris Schwingler instructed staff to inquire about Bolton and Menk's rain garden.

Ron Beckman discussed the possibility of working with the School District and the Joint Powers in creating and maintaining additional ball fields on the School property at Hope Ave.

Tim Bischke presented four signs for the bike routes and a map for where they should be placed.

ADJOURN: *Motion by Chris Schwingler, seconded by Donna Breeggemann, to adjourn at 8:10pm. Motion unanimously approved.*

Respectfully submitted,

Casey MacCallum
Planner