



CITY OF JORDAN
MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 2008

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

Jerry Langsweirdt,
Chair
Donna Breeggemann,
Vice Chair
Tim Bischke
Tania Branitski
Willy Pauly
Margaret Knutson

Ron Jabs, Mayor and
Council
representative

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:02 by Chair Jerry Langsweirdt.

Commissioners attending the meeting were Chair Jerry Langsweirdt, Vice-Chair Donna Breeggemann, Tim Bischke, Tania Branitski, Margaret Knutson and Willy Pauly; and Council Representative Mayor Ron Jabs.

Staff in attendance: Planner Casey MacCallum.

Also in attendance: Lori Mazanec of 968 Pioneer Ct, Pat Atkins of 915 Dakota Point, Marlin Brule of 810 Dakota Point, Thom Boncher 524 Bradburry Cir., and Keith Morgan of 850 Dakota Point.

ADOPT AGENDA: Ron Jabs, seconded by Willy Pauly, to adopt the agenda as presented.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: *Motion by Donna Breeggemann, seconded by Margaret Knutson, to accept the July 28, 2008 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion unanimously approved.*

PRESENTATIONS: There were no presentations.

NEW BUSINESS: There were 0 items of new business.

OLD BUSINESS: there was 2 items of old business.

- A. Timberline Park Playground Equipment.** As presented by Planner MacCallum. The Timberline Homeowners Association (THA) returned to discuss improvements to Timberline Park; and staff presented the costs of diggers and swings as requested. Also presented was an email from the THA further discussing their list of priorities for the playground.

Members from the THA and the Timberline development/neighborhood discussed the need for additional equipment and which equipment they would prefer to see in Timberline Park. They also discussed the northern community's isolation and being cutoff from the rest of Jordan because of Hw 169. Some of the playground and park items that the community wanted included: bathrooms, toddler equipment, diggers, shelter, basket ball court, picnic tables, benches, and young adult playground equipment.

Commission discussion: The PRC discussed the priorities and development of Timberline Park, both immediate and long term. The Commission discussed which equipment should be added to the playground and focused on the ADA digger, toddler swing, and some dual age equipment like a small 4 foot high prefab climbing

rock. They also discussed creating a master plan for Timberline Park to phase in all of the future park equipment.

*Motion Margaret Knutson, second Tim Bischke, to have staff return with cost estimates and placement of a digger, toddler swing, and a small climbing rock wall.
Motion unanimous.*

- B. Goals and Objectives.** As presented by Planner MacCallum. The Commission was presented with a list of programs and capital projects that they have discussed in the past. Staff facilitated a discussion on the future goals of the PRC.

Commission discussion: Commissioners discussed including multi use trails, placing a disc golf course, financing, work plans, complete and expanded CIP, Park Drive, ball fields, needs assessment, community recreation, community education, funding, listing needs for individual parks, planned maintenance, adopt-a-park program, and adopt-a-garden program. The Commission requested a full finance report on the Park Dedication and Park Equipment Improvement accounts. The Commission also requested a revised and expanded Capital Improvement Plan providing more flexibility and space for each park.

PLANNER'S REPORT: There were 2 items on the Planner's Report.

- A. Accounts.** Planner MacCallum informed the Parks and Recreation Commission that as of June 16, 2008 the Parkland Dedication account had \$413,657.31 and the Park Equipment Improvement account has \$84,450.77.
- B. Passive is Passé.** The Commission was provided with a copy of an article, "Passive is Passé", which discusses redefinition of passive park land.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT:

Commissioner Tim Bischke requested information on the implementation of the Comprehensive Trail Plan.

Commissioner Margaret Knutson requested information on the possibility of placing recycling bins in the parks.

Mayor Jabs requested information on the title of the Commission.

Commissioner Pauly discussed placing a sign on the south side of the Mill Pond Park, as discussed in Council Member Hanson's letter.

Commissioner Branitski requested information on the trees in front of the Catholic school.

ADJOURN: *Motion by Donna Breeggemann, seconded by Margaret Knutson, to adjourn at 9:11pm. Motion unanimously approved.*

Respectfully submitted,

Casey MacCallum
Planner