



**City of Jordan
Park and Recreation Commission
March 22, 2010**

Members Present: Chair Jerry Langsweirdt; Vice Chair Donna Breeggemann; Mayor Pete Ewals; and Thom Boncher, John Glynn, Margaret Knutson.

Staff Present: Senior Planner, Joe Janish; Planning Consultant, Joanne Foust; City Administrator Ed Shukle.

Others Present: Guy Beck, Ray Sandey

1.0 Call to Order.

Chair Langsweirdt called the Park and Recreation Commission to order at 7:00pm.

2.0 Adopt Agenda.

Motion Breeggemann seconded by Knutson to adopt agenda. Motion approved unanimously.

3.0 Approval of Minutes.

A. February 22, 2010 Minutes

Janish noted staff would like to add into the minutes the closing of the regular meeting and opening of the meeting again.

Motion Boncher, seconded by Glynn to approve the February 22, 2010 Minutes, with proposed change. Motion unanimously approved.

4.0 Presentations/Discussions.

A. Master Park and Trail Plan

Joanne Foust discussed a draft survey for obtaining input on the Master Park and Trail Plan. The Park and Recreation Commission discussed distribution methods of the survey and provided direction on how the questions should be worded.

Foust noted that a representative should be present at the next meeting to discuss the resource mapping that is being completed by 1,000 Friends of Minnesota.

5.0 Old Business.

A. Project/Discussion Update.

Mr. Janish provided an update on past projects. Commissioner Boncher noted a preferred method of showing the projects which included using three columns in an excel format.

Commissioners noted it would be beneficial to invite Bridle Creek residents to discuss possibly funding a basketball court at the Park located in Bridle Creek 1 through 4.

Janish also noted that the Park and Recreation Commission is in need of two members.

B. Strategic Planning Discussion

City Administrator Shukle discussed the Park and Recreation Commission Strategic Plan. The Park and Recreation Commissioners discussed having a separate meeting focused on this particular item. Members indicated that April 12th, 2010 from 6:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. would work .

6.0 New Business.

A. MNIdeapen.org

Janish commented Commissioner Knutson contacted him about this program. The concept behind the program is individuals are able to submit ideas that help to reduce obesity. The Park and Recreation Commission reviewed the website during the meeting and individuals where asked to consider options and enter any ideas they may have on the website.

B. Scott Carver SHIP (Statewide Health Improvement Program).

Janish indicated that this program is promoting non-motorized transportation and active living. Participating cities would be able to take advantage of the following opportunities: monetary incentives, assistance, and support.

The Park and Recreation Commission discussed pursuing walkable community workshops or other active living assessments, promotion of existing parks, trails or other recreation areas, technical assistance for implementing and promoting existing action plans, having a trail gap analysis conducted, looking at handicap accessibility of parks and park equipment, options to provide a safe crossing of highway 169.

Janish indicated he would pass the information on in the application and meet with the Scott County representative to discuss what possibilities exist.

7.0 Planners Report.

None.

8.0 Commissioner Report.

Mayor Ewals indicated that a letter was sent to the County Commissioners about the possible gravel operations located along Valley View Drive in Sand Creek Township. A response was received by the County Board Chair indicating the city should wait to review the EAW and make comments at that time.

Commissioner Knutson indicated a group of volunteers is looking at making improvements to Field 2 at Jordan Highschool.

Commissioner Boncher indicated that the Park and Recreation Commission should consider providing input on the EAW with the potential to have 90 to 200 trucks passing Holzer Park. Commissioner Boncher indicated he had a copy of the past EAW and is willing to provide a motion to the Council to be sure to have the EAW address the impacts to Holzer Park.

Motion Boncher, seconded by Glynn, to recommend to the Council to comment the EAW for the potential gravel pit along Valleyview Drive in Sand Creek Township should consider the impacts to Holzer Park. Motion unanimously approved.

9.0 Adjournment.

Motion Knutson, seconded by Boncher, to adjourn the Park and Recreation Commission meeting at 10:10 p.m. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Janish
Senior Planner