

# City of Jordan Park and Recreation Commission June 28, 2010

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

Staff Present: Senior Planner, Joe Janish; Planning Consultant, Joanne Foust

Others Present: None.

#### 1.0 Call to Order.

Chair Langsweirdt called the Park and Recreation Commission to order at 7:02pm.

# 2.0 Adopt Agenda.

Motion Boncher seconded by Glynn to adopt agenda. Motion approved unanimously.

# 3.0 Approval of Minutes.

## A. June 28, 2010 Minutes

Motion Glynn, seconded by Boncher to approve the May 24, 2010 Minutes, as presented. Motion unanimously approved.

## 4.0 Presentations/Discussions.

#### A. Master Park and Trail Plan

Foust provided an overview of the plan at this time. The overview included: sections 1 Introduction; Section 3 Vision, Values & Mission Statements; and Section 4 Public Input. Foust noted the plan is a policy based plan and the regulations would be developed through ordinance modifications or amendments. The document itself is meant to be evolving and reviewed and amended as needed.

Commissioners discussed additional ways to obtain input and it included meeting with the senior citizen group, potential have information available at the Elementary School, Middle School, and High School Open Houses along with St. John's Open House.

Members discussed visiting Valley Green to check out the park, and the State Valley Recreation area as well at their own leisure.

#### **B.** Basketball Discussion

Janish provided an email that was shared between the Basketball group and the City Administrator. The email noted a letter was sent to residents in Bridle Creek 1-4, Arborview and River Ridge during the week of June 14<sup>th</sup>. The email also noted that a letter was going to be sent to 52 potential corporate donors during the week of June 21<sup>st</sup>. The email noted the group had received two checks for donations and a commitment for 20% of the proceeds of a Tastefully Simple fund-raiser.

## 5.0 Old Business.

# A. Project/Discussion Update.

Mr. Janish provided an update on past projects.

#### C. Strategic Planning Discussion

The Park and Recreation Commission discussed the proposed Strategic Plan and the joint meeting held between the City Council on June 21<sup>st</sup>. The Park and Recreation Commission discussed adding Skate Park improvements and/or relocation; BMX track; kayaking in Sand Creek; Look into waivers for volunteers or insurance; along with the possibility of a sledding hill, and researching/developing a Veterans Memorial Park.

Motion Breeggemann, seconded by Knutson to approve the strategic plan with the above noted items added to the action steps. Motion unanimously approved.

Motion Glynn, seconded by Boncher to approve forward the strategic plan as amended in previous motion to the City Council for approval. Motion unanimously approved.

#### 6.0 New Business.

#### A. Log Cabin Flag Pole - Existing.

Janish indicated he received a request from a commissioner to have this item on the agenda for potential action. The request tonight is to remove the flag pole within the Log Cabin Park area.

Motion Knutson, seconded by Boncher to remove the existing flag pole. Motion unanimously approved.

# B. Log Cabin Flag Pole - New.

Janish stated this is another item requested by the commissioner which would be to consider to purchase a new flag pole now that the old one will be removed. The amount indicated would be an amount to not exceed \$2,500. Janish noted that Public Works Director Bendzick indicated the flag pole would need to have an internal halyard to prevent the flag from being taken.

Motion Boncher, Seconded by Knutson to purchase and install a new flag pole with an internal halyard with an amount not to exceed \$2,500. After discussion on if a flag pole is needed and a proper location a vote was taken. Motion unanimously denied.

#### C. Additional Trash Receptacles in Lagoon Park

Janish noted the same commissioner requested to have this item on the agenda as well. The commissioner expressed interest in purchasing additional trash receptacles up to 10 with an amount not to exceed \$1,500. The Commissioner requesting this item was hoping out of the 10 purchased 4 could be placed around the parking area with the others "scattered" along the trails within the Lagoon Park area. Janish stated that the according to Public Works Director Bendzick the cost would be around \$100 with the majority of the cost going towards the lid.

Youth Representative Baker indicated he believed this potential purchase is a good idea to have additional receptacles in the park.

A discussion also occurred about having dedicated recycling bins within the park.

Motion Boncher, seconded by Glynn, to purchase up to 10 bins in an amount not to exceed \$1,500 and place 4 of said bins around the parking areas of the park and the additional would be placed along the trials. Motion unanimously approved.

# D. Parks Commission Expenditure for Memorial

Janish noted that commissioners have questioned the ability to purchase memorials for specific individuals in the past. A memo was provided from the City Attorney indicating that funds spent by the city are suppose to serve as a public purpose and the City Attorney noted that a memorial for a private individual is not a public purpose.

This means that the Park and Recreation Commission would not be able to use funds to have a memorial for a specific individual.

# 7.0 Planners Report.

# A. PEI and Parkland Dedication Account Information.

Commissioners acknowledged the account information.

## 8.0 Commissioner Report.

Commissioner Knutson noted the fence at the pier is nice but a railing is needed in order to help those in wheelchairs to gain access. Knutson also questioned if it would be possible to have a discussion about Holzer Park and potential improvements at the next meeting.

Commissioner Glynn questioned if the area next to the falls was meant to be handicap accessible. Janish noted it was not the improvements made where to reduce erosion not to make the area handicap accessible.

Chair Langsweirdt noted the restroom idea at Lagoon Park has been placed on the back burner. The Lions sent out letters to gauge interest with the other community organizations and only received a response from one out seven. Langsweirdt also questioned during severe weather where do the folks at the ball park go for safety. Janish indicated he would speak with the Police Chief to find out that location.

## 9.0 Adjournment.

Motion Breeggemann,	seconded by Knutson,	to adjourn the	Park and I	Recreation (	Commission
meeting at 9:25 p.m.	Motion unanimously ap	proved.			

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Janish Senior Planner