Members Present: Chair Jerry Langsweirdt, Vice Chair Donna Breeggemann, 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 7:01pm.

2.0 Adopt Agenda.

Motion Breeggemann 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 June 28, 2010 Minutes, with two corrections to spelling. Motion unanimously approved.

4.0 Presentations/Discussions.

A. Master Park and Trail Plan

Janish noted he provided past meeting minutes (June 22, 2009; July 27, 2009; August 25, 2009; September 28, 2009) of the Park and Recreation Commission visits to the parks in order to help with the evenings discussion related to the Master Park and Trail Plan.

Foust noted members had a draft of the Park and Open Space Chapter of the Master Plan. Foust also noted that Scott County is in the process of updating their Parks and Trails Plan for the north half of the county. It was stated the input sessions will be held on August 18th, 19th, 24th, and 25th. Foust noted the plan and discussions would include the future trail from Cleary Lake Regional Park in Prior Lake to the City of Jordan.

A review of the park chapter was conducted with input from the members on items that should be included within the parks and types of improvements that should be made.

Commissioners also reviewed the location of future Community Parks and assigned parks in which members should visit to determine if specific items should be preserved.
• Commissioner Breeggemann selected Search Area 1 - located on the Northeast side of Jordan.
• Commissioner Knutson selected Search Area 2 - located on the West side of Jordan near the fairgrounds.
• Commissioners Boncher and Glynn selected Search Area 2, 4, 6. - located on the East side of Jordan, Southwest side of Jordan, and Southeast side of Jordan respectively.
• Chair Langsweirdt selected Search Area 5. Located on the Southeast side of Jordan.

Foust questioned if the Park and Recreation Commission would like to have a guest speaker at the next meeting to discuss Complete Streets. It was the consensus of the group to have a guest speaker to discuss complete streets.

B. Basketball Discussion

Janish provided an email that was shared between the Basketball Group and himself that was meant to serve as an update. The email noted that a business was willing to provide a donation but did not commit to a dollar amount. The group had applied to Operation Roundup through MVEC. A second reminder letter would be sent to the neighborhood residents. The email noted that the next three weeks many things should be falling in place.

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 21st. 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. Holzer Park Discussion

B. Possible Funding of School Field

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 Recreation Commission meeting at 9:25 p.m. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Janish
Senior Planner