MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF JORDAN
IN THE COUNTY OF SCOTT
SEPTEMBER 23, 2019

Present: Chair Donna Breeggemann, Becky Brewster, Nathan Warden, Amanda Schuh, Grant Tilus
Also Present: Lucinda Meyers, Senior Planner

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chair Breeggemann at 6:30 PM.

2.0 ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Schuh, second Brewster to adopt the agenda with the addition of item 2.5 PUBLIC COMMENT. Vote all ayes. Motion carried.

2.5 Brandon Romann, 105 6th Street West, presented to his idea for utilization of the mini-met hockey rink during the off-season as an outdoor radio control car track with astroturf. Romann offered his services for track construction, which would take 3-4 days. Tracks are typically between 4,000 and 8,000 square feet with construction costs ranging from $0.65 to $1.25 per square foot. The average track would cost $5,700.00 to construct. Aside from the astroturf flooring, the track would feature jumps- typically made out of plywood- and bumpers, which can be constructed out of pvc rain gutters. The amenity would require electric charging stations for users and is easy to set up and tear down.

Romann stated that radio control car racing is a growing and inclusive activity, with users of all ages and abilities. Radio control cars range in price from $30.00 to $2,000.00.

Romann asserted that the rink’s proximity to the skate park is ideal, and offers a good opportunity for crossover.

Romann indicated that a similar amenity is located in St. Peter, and other, privately owned tracks are located in St. Cloud and St. Louis Park.

Tilus asked how race events are organized, and how people get involved in the activity. Romann indicated that most organization occurs over Facebook; St. Peter advertises on their city website. There is a hobby store in St. Peter that promotes it. St. Peter hosts a national race every other Saturday. If you wanted to sanction national races, there are very specific parameters that must be met.

3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. March 25, 2019
Motion by Schuh, second Warden to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Vote all ayes. Motion carried.

4.0  NEW BUSINESS

5.0  OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Parks CIP

The commission discussed the 2019 Parks CIP and recommended a number of changes, including:

- Ensuring Parks CIP is consistent with other CIP’s
- Adding the Holzer parking lot expansion to 2020
- Adding Lagoon Park Shelter demolition and construction in 2021
- Adding the 282 Trail up the Bluff to 2021
- Adding $800,000 for phase 2 of Grassmann Park to 2022
- Combining Bridle projects for turf improvements and tree planting
- Removing multigenerational play equipment, ballpark, and community center.

Meyers indicated she would revise the document as directed and provide to the commission at the next meeting.

The commission discussed the need to fix the “lips” on the ballfields, where the aglime meets the grass. Lips can be dangerous to fielders.

The 2021 Log Cabin project should be done in collaboration with the Jordan Historical Society.

The Sidewalk/Trail Gap on County Road 66 to Hillside Drive, connecting Hillside to TH 21 could be considered during the upcoming scheduled TH 21 construction project, or with the roundabout planned for the intersection of Sawmill Road/CR 66/TH21 in 2024.

The need for additional storage at Holzer Park was mentioned. Chair Breeggemann offered to coordinate a meeting between public works and the association. Commissioner Warden expressed his support for the collaboration. Meyers stated that she would connect with public works director Haas.

Recycling should be offered at all parks.

6.0  PLANNERS REPORT

A. Park Updates
The new shelter roof has been installed at Holzer Park. The parking lot expansion at Holzer Park will is scheduled to occur in spring 2020 alongside regular street projects. The shelter and water fountain have been installed at the Dog Park. Grassmann Park grand opening was a great success. There was a report of arrows being lost to Sand Creek at Ruppert Park. Public works is currently obtaining bids to reroof the gazebo at Lagoon Park with metal singles.

B. Next Meeting- November 25, 2019

7.0 CITY COUNCIL MEMBER UPDATE

8.0 COMMISSION MEMBER REPORT

Tilus noted that there is no play equipment for Grassmann Park users under the age of 5, and would like to consider an amenity for users ages 2-5.

Are the following to be included in Grassmann Park Phase 1?
- Signage showing distances
- Bicycle racks
- Recycling containers

The commission directed staff to:
1. obtain input on the radio control car track proposal for the old hickey rink prior to the next meeting.
2. Add info in the fall newsletter regarding right of way tree pruning.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn Brewster, Second Warden. Vote all ayes. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47pm

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Tanya Velishek, Mayor

ATTEST: ________________________________
Tom Nikunen
City Administrator