



**CITY OF JORDAN
MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

MONDAY, January 22, 2007

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

Ron Beckman, Chair
Jerry Langsweirdt,
Vice Chair
Donna Breeggemann
Ken Crane
Chris Schwingler
Willy Pauly

Ron Jabs, Mayor and
Council
representative

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:02 by chair Ron Beckman.

Attending the meeting were Chair Ron Beckman, Vice Chair Jerry Langsweirdt, Donna Breeggemann, Ken Crane, and Willy Pauly.

Staff attending was City Engineer Carol Caron from Bolton & Mink, City Administrator Ed Shukle, Joe Janish and Casey MacCallum.

Also in attendance were Attorney Jim Sheldon, and Minneapolis Park and Recreation Project Manager Nick Eoloff; Pool Committee members Gene Sieve, Kat Pass, and Angela Gutsner; and former Planning Commission member Tim Bischke.

ADOPT AGENDA: Unanimous approval to set the agenda as presented.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Unanimous approval to accept the November 27, 2006 regular session meeting minutes as presented.

PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS: Jordan's Preliminary Trail System (Nick Eoloff),

As announced during the November 27th meeting, Nick Eoloff from Minneapolis Parks and Recreation presented two maps and several pictures of Minneapolis' bike signage. One map detailed an internal network of routes through Jordan and the other showed future trails extending into the County.

After the presentation the Commission discussed the various option for Jordan, including whether to provide bike lanes behind angle parking, bike signage and street painting, and the various routes.

***Donna Breeggemann's motion** to accept the preliminary bike trail plan with Dave Bendzick's judgment on first routes for paving, and with the direction to change Highway 282 as a primary rout and 1st Street as a secondary rout and directing staff to research a trail on 282, seconded by Chris Schwingler, was unanimously approved.*

OLD BUSINESS: Mill Pond Update

Carol Caron from Bolton & Mink described changes the City Council has made to the process and plans for dredging the Mill Pond. The Commission then discussed potential designs for the Mill Pond beach.

This item was informational only.

OLD BUSINESS: Pool RFP

The commission directed staff to create a draft Pool RFP to recommend for Council approval during the December 27th Parks and Recreation meeting. Ed Shukle presented the RFP and received little discussion except Gene Sieve of the Pool Committee agreed with content of the RFP.

Jerry Langsweirdt's motion to recommend the Draft RFP to the Council for review, seconded by

PARK ACCOUNTS: The parks accounts were reviewed. Park dedication accounts has \$540,897.43 and park equipment improvements account has \$119,560.30.

CONSIDER REVIEWING CIP: The four year plan was reviewed by the commission.

Joe Janish, Senior Planner, asked if items should be moved around.

Donna Breeggemann requested a map of the City's parks at the next meeting and when considering the CIP.

Chair Beckmann asked if the Council would see the plan and if it obligated the commission to projects.

Ed Shukle, City Administrator, stated the plan was a guideline and the Council sees all transactions.

VOLLEYBALL COURT AT LAGOON PARK: A third court would cost approximately \$5,000

Chair Beckmann believed the second court was not set up and neither court had great use. Beckmann instructed staff to inquire whether Heimatfest volleyball tournament was turning people away because they did not have the third court.

Donna Breeggemann's motion to deny the third court unless more information was provided, was unanimously approved.

HOLZER PARK UPDATE: More trees will be planted, sprinkler needs to be replaced and Public Works does not know why the weeds are returning.

Donna Breeggemann inquired about the location of the Rail Road Right of Way.

Chair Beckman hopes to continue the park for youth when additional parks are established. He noted that the park is in good shape but not great.

MILL POND UPDATE: Senior Planner Joe Janish informed members the City Council is changing the design for the pond to include a swimming beach and create an average depth of 6 to 8 feet. The DNR requested construction of a 12 to 16 foot "hole" to help prevent winter fish kill. Staff will continue to provide updates in the future.

REVIEW OF SAWMILL PARK & MNDOT REST STOP: The trail connected to Sawmill Woods runs along Sand Creek; constructing a bridge would connect it to the MNDOT property. Currently the underlying ownership is Mr. Ruppert. The City Attorney is working on the details for naming rights instead of monetary compensation. Expanding the parking and adding a picnic shelter on the MNDOT property was discussed and concluded that bridging the properties will be key in developing infrastructure and magnify the benefits. Staff was directed to determine the possibility of constructing a bridge.

PLANNERS REPORT: Nothing was discussed.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT: Ken Crane discussed his upcoming wedding on December 16th. No other commissioners had reports.

ADJOURN: Jerry moved to adjourn; Willy Pauly seconded: unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Casey MacCallum
Planner