



**City of Jordan
Park and Recreation Commission
September 26, 2011**

Members Present: Chair Donna Breeggemann, Council Liaison Thom Boncher, David Hanson, Lance Schmitt, Nancy Murray, Tim Bischke

Staff Present: Senior Planner Joe Janish, City Engineer Tim Loose, Planning Intern Isaac Kerry, Mike Waltman

Others Present: Gary Schette, Kathy Colling, George Colling, Tom Colling, Sue Colling, John Stahlen, Tim Jund

1.0 Call to Order.

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

2.0 Adopt Agenda.

Motion Boncher, seconded Hanson, to approve agenda. Motion approved unanimously.

3.0 Approval of Minutes.

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Motion Hanson seconded Murray to approve the minutes as presented. Motion approved 6-0. Bischke abstained. .

4.0 Presentations/Discussions.

A. Bolton & Menk – discussion of proposed Hillside Drive trail system and Maple Lan trail connecting to 282

Janish noted that despite come citizen presence this presentation was not intended to be a public hearing and proper notices had not been sent out.

Mike Waltman presented a brief overview of complete streets policy to the commission. He went to detail the specific plans Bolton & Menke had prepared for proposed extensions to the Hillside Drive trail network.

Loose stated that one of the main reasons to have a plan for trails was so the city could apply for funding quickly if it should become available.

Boncher stated that he felt the city should analyze a “no-build” option in order to consider all possibilities.

Hanson and other members stated interest in examining the possibility of reducing the size of streets, especially Hillside Drive, in order to accommodate bike lanes and trails. Bischke proposed a connecting trail along Hope Ave be considered.

Boncher and others stated that there was a need to increase the number and clarity of pedestrian markings in the area.

Waltman went on to detail the plans developed for a proposed trail connecting Maple Lane to 282. He listed four major alternatives including a trail along 282 and three variations cutting through the bluff.

Bischke questioned the regional value of the proposed trail.

Chair Breeggemann questioned if any other alternatives had been considered, Loose stated that this area was the most feasible.

Chair Breeggemann and others indicated they would like to see proposals for expansion of the Timberline trail network in order to properly prioritize projects. Janish stated he would work with Bolton & Menk and have a presentation ready for the next meeting of the commission.

5.0 Old Business.

A. Project Updates

Chair Breeggemann stated that the commission should approve funds to install cages over the lights in the Lagoon Park restrooms as a separate project to the renovations being considered. Janish stated it would be added to the project list.

6.0 New Business.

A. Distribution of Park and Recreation Master Plan and supporting documents

Intern Kerry gave commission members CDs with Park and Recreation documents.

B. Certificate of Achievement of Youth Representative (verbal)

Intern Kerry showed commission members a certificate of achievement for former student representative Bryant Baker. Staff directed to invite Baker to next meeting of the commission to receive the certificate.

Chair Breeggemann asked if any new applicants for the student representative position had been received, Kerry stated there had not been despite advertising with the high school. Staff will follow up with appropriate administration and attempt to find a new member.

7.0 Planners Report

A. PEI and Parkland Dedication Account Information

Janish presented a more detailed report of fund levels to the commission, including expenditures for 2010 and 2011. Hanson requested a report of expenditures for 2007-2009.

Janish also advised commission members that the Planning Commission is currently seeking applicants to fill two positions.

8.0 Commissioner Report.

Murray stated she had examined Lagoon Park restrooms and found no sign of sewer lines being responsible for the odor. She stated that Public Works Director Dave... thought the issue was from unflushed toilets and the new automatic flushers should fix it.

Murray also questioned if the restrooms in the park could be closed earlier in order to make it harder to vandalize. She also said that if the renovations include changing tables they should be steel.

Hanson gave the commission an update on the basketball court project, stating that \$12,000 has been spent of the \$14,000. Hanson hopes the sign for the court will be finished by the end of the year.

Hanson also wanted an update on the negotiations with the developer concerning the Country Road 66 trail. Janish advised he would have an update ready for the next meeting.

Hanson also stated that the ground in Lagoon Park was unacceptably hard and too difficult for grass to grow. Janish added a project to the commission's list to look into the cost of pruning, aeration and planting grass in the park.

Boncher asked why the skate park's camera had been moved. Janish stated he was not aware it had been and would look into it.

Chair Breeggemann wanted the access road to the Holzer Park ball fields closed if there are no further games this season.

9.0 Adjournment.

Motion Murray, seconded Bischke, to adjourn the Park and Recreation Commission meeting at 10:20 p.m. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Isaac Kerry
Planning Intern