

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF JORDAN
IN THE COUNTY OF SCOTT
MAY 26, 2020**

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

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chair Breeggemann at 6:33 PM.

2.0 ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Warden, second Tilus to adopt the agenda as presented. Vote all ayes. Motion carried.

3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. January 27, 2020

Motion by Brewster, second Warden to approve minutes as presented. Vote all ayes. Motion carried.

4.0 NEW BUSINESS

A. Parks and Recreation COVID-19 Update

Meyers provided an update on the status of the parks system during the pandemic. Commissioner Tilus inquired upon options for equipment sanitization. Meyers indicated that the city could hire a contractor to sanitize play equipment at specified intervals or could undertake the task themselves. Tilus mentioned the need to wash/sanitize hands at parks. Chair Breeggemann mentioned sanitation stations being constructed by local students and the possibility of installing them in the parks.

Commissioner Warden noted that he witnessed a baseball game taking place in another community, clearly out of compliance with the Governor's executive order restricting gatherings exceeding 10 people, inquiring upon how similar instance would be handled in Jordan. Meyers stated that local police departments are responsible for enforcement of the Governor's executive order(s). Tilus noted the difficulty in regulating social distancing in parks. Tilus inquired upon protocol for safe and sanitary equipment rental. Meyers replied that the current recommendation is full sanitization before/after each use. Tilus asked if Staff could use social media to gauge whether there is interest in rentals at this time. Meyers concurred.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS

A. Timberline Park Improvements

Meyers inventoried the park amenities and their conditions and offered up ideas for improvements for discussion. Breeggemann noted that the neighborhood is at the point where it is ‘turning over’ and new, young families are moving in. Tilus noted the elevation change (decline) to the north of basketball hoop could use a barrier of some sort to prevent basketballs from rolling off-site and into the street. Tilus also noted that the trees south of the playground prevent utilization of the flat ground for play and utilization of unprogrammed open space. Landscaping should be strategic and utilization/creation of open space for unstructured open space should be considered.

Commissioner Brewster inquired upon the usage/popularity of the various components of the playground equipment. Meyers suggested hosting an open house at the next meeting and inviting Timberline residents to provide their feedback on the park. Breeggemann indicated that there is a neighborhood association and they are on the nextdoor app. Commissioner Warden is favorable to the open house, gaining feedback from users is important at this stage. Tilus noted that the see-saw and diggers offer users with short term, 30 seconds of enjoyment, and would like those types of play equipment eliminated from the future design. Warden expressed favor towards replacing the playground equipment. Brewster noted that the commission discussed relocation of a shelter from Lagoon Park to Timberline when the Lion’s shelter was being planned/constructed. She also noted the benches could be included in the bench donation program. Breeggemann noted the possibility of relocating the swings.

Meyers suggested the open house be held on June 29th. Breeggemann and Brewster would not make it. Breeggemann will be out of town on June 22.

7.0 PLANNERS REPORT

A. Park Updates

The City Council will soon be receiving the recommendation of the PRAC and Planning Commission on the Park Dedication ordinance. Staff has received a bid from Bolton and Menk for the study and will present it to the Council also. Pineview and Cedarview parks are quickly approaching completion.

B. Next Meeting- July 27, 2020

8.0 CITY COUNCIL MEMBER UPDATE

9.0 COMMISSION MEMBER REPORT

Breeggemann noted comments on the Jordan Mama’s Facebook pertaining to interest in community gardens. Warden provided background on the community garden located

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behind the tennis courts at the middle school. Community Ed program, harvest vegetables and donate to food shelf, coordinator left and garden was open to public, and without interest garden may or may not remain. School may not want people on property while school is in session.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm

Tanya Velishek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tom Nikunen
City Administrator