

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF JORDAN
IN THE COUNTY OF SCOTT
JULY 26, 2021**

Present: Donna Breeggemann, Becky Brewster, Grant Tilus, Jeremy Goebel

Also Present: Ben Schneider, Planner; Revée Needham, Planning Intern; Mark Fritz, 1054 Mallard Ave.

Absent: Nathan Warden

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

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

2.0 ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Brewster to adopt the agenda as presented, second Tilus. Vote: all ayes. Motion carried 4-0.

3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. May 24, 2021

Motion by Brewster, second Tilus to adopt minutes. Vote all ayes, Goebel abstains. Motion carried 3-0-1.

4.0 NEW BUSINESS

A. Baseball Scoreboards for Holzer Park

Schneider presents that residents have expressed interest for electronic scoreboards at Holzer park and staff are looking into grant options. In speaking to public works for possible placement, it was suggested in between fields 1 and 2. Breeggemann mentions the Jordan Baseball association was looking at installing batting cages in the same area and would require power for a pitching machine so that should be coordinated. The scoreboards should include: score, inning, balls, strikes, outs, and a timer, if possible. Goebel suggests asking the Lions Club or Fire Department to pay for part of it and include a sponsored sign. Breeggemann suggests talking to John about the funds from the State Baseball tournament which have been used on softball equipment in the past. Goebel suggests asking the school booster club. Brewster suggests asking Community Ed. Breeggemann notes that Field 3 was donated and to ask again. Goebel suggests ads on the board. Breeggemann notes that the den was donated by Mary Bright's family. Brewster mentions that American Family donates to basketball.

B. Bridle Creek Parkland Discussion

Schneider presents the preliminary plat was recently approved for Bridle Creek 11th addition and with that there are only 2 more additions left in the subdivision with the Outlot B deeded to the City for parkland. Tonight starts preliminary discussions on ideas for that park. Breeggemann mentions the original plans had park ideas in it. Brewster asks if this is the parkland with a steep slope. Goebel mentions that the original plan was to slowly acquire nearby land and build a regional plan but instead the City bonded for and built nearby Grassmann Park. The Council pushed back the phase 2 of Grassmann improvements in the CIP and have discussed selling the land and using it instead for Grassmann improvements.

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Mark Fritz, 1054 Mallard Ave: representing the Bridle Creek HOA, it was discussed at Planning Commission, the small private park in the subdivision is too small to accommodate the new homes and the HOA wants to purchase additional land for a park but the builder is unwilling and asks to buy some of the land from the City. The HOA is willing to pay for park improvements and have some public park but wants a park in before the planned improvements in 2025. Goebel mentions that the CIP has no specific plans for Outlot B and to just merge eventually with Grassmann and asks if the neighborhood has a preferred timeline. Fritz replies that the developer is open to extending the road to the Outlot to be able to access it earlier. Brewster asks about the land nearby at the Pieper property. Schneider mentions that developer is no longer pursuing the project. Brewster mentions it would be wise to not have the same equipment at both parks. Fritz replies that park is over a mile away. Goebel suggests holding onto the land to use for parking and field access and a playground and buying nearby land to combine with Grassmann. Breeggemann notes the original plan had a playground in it. Goebel asks how big the land is. Schneider replies 40 acres. Fritz adds that what is missing is a play area, the ninja park is too specialized and for older children. Goebel suggests adding some play equipment to Grassmann. Fritz adds that a playground similar to Timberline and a basketball court would be sufficient. Brewster notes the Parks CIP has Grassmann Phase 2 for 2024-2026. Schneider clarifies that Council has a separate CIP including Grassmann for bit later. Fritz comments the developer got out of providing parkland. Schneider clarifies the developer has paid fees with each phase. Breeggemann asks if the builder could give up some lots and build a park. Goebel notes the builder wants lots of small lots with the idea of being more affordable, but the starting price is in \$400k which will sell quickly as DR Horton is the builder. Fritz has tried talking to the developer and was unsuccessful and asks the PRAC for help. Goebel suggests looking at adding a youth playground near Grassmann. Breeggemann suggests equipment for ages 8-10 and under along with a shelter and benches. Fritz requests a basketball court too and notes that many people from outside the neighborhood come to use the private basketball court and it has to be replaced soon. Breeggemann adds it would be nice to have multiple parking lots.

5.0 OLD BUSINESS

A. 2022 Parks CIP

Schneider presents the updated CIP after last meeting's discussion. Tilus mentions adding the Holzer scoreboards. Brewster asks about Lions Park or if we were waiting for the underpass. Schneider adds that moving the skate park is on the CIP. Breeggemann asks about the timeframe for the 169 interchange. Schneider replies that it could happen as soon as next year depending on the federal level. Goebel asks about flooding with the underpass. Breeggemann mentions the HGTV show Hometown Takeover and suggests doing something similar with a multipurpose event center at the old hockey rink. Tilus mentions that murals are a great boost, seeing one with an interactive hot air balloon basket for a nice photo opportunity. Breeggemann mentions the Heimatfest mural was nice but not maintained. Tilus says Mousse's mural is nice. Breeggemann suggests partnering with the historic society and placing artifacts in buildings around town of what the building used to be. Brewster suggests string lights and more Christmas decorations. Goebel mentions adding the Bridle Creek playground in. Breeggemann asked if the Bridle Creek had parkland dedicated for prior phases. Tilus replies they paid cash in lieu.

6.0 PLANNERS REPORT

A. General Updates

Schneider reports that Schmitt has left City Council so Goebel is the alternate for the PRAC. Planning Intern Needham has accepted a new job and this is her last meeting. The roundabout at TH 282 is open for 3 legs tomorrow with a monument sign in the middle. Ruppert's park is open

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and we are ordering additional targets. Park of the Week is going well and we are about halfway through all the parks.

B. Next Meeting- September 27, 2021

7.0 CITY COUNCIL MEMBER UPDATE

Goebel notes that the Dakota development is no longer happening. The City is in discussion for an apartment building on the city-owned lots. Schneider adds a concept plan was submitted by the developer.

Goebel mentions that he is open to sharing any feedback with Council from the commissioners.

8.0 COMMISSION MEMBER REPORT

Brewster asks if there will be a special election in November to fill the Council vacancy.

Schneider replies it will be in February. Goebel adds that Council will be accepting applications for a temporary Council member from November to February.

Breeggemann is glad that MNDOT created the trail alongside 282 and suggests putting the park equipment in earlier in Bridle Creek and future subdivisions.

Brewster asks about the sign for Grassmann Park. Schneider replies he will ask engineering staff for an update. Tilus asks if there has been any feedback about the new Lagoon Park shelter.

Schneider replies all positive. Goebel notes that the visitors to Lagoon Park are not from Jordan.

Breeggemann heard that the mulch at the Lagoon Park playground needs some rearranging.

Brewster asks if the snack shack is making money or losing money. Schneider replies the goal is to break even. Goebel notes the expanded offerings including pizza. Breeggemann suggests posting online about the new concessions. Tilus asks if the shelter is open every day. Schneider replies yes, weather permitting.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Brewster, Second Goebel to adjourn. Vote all ayes. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:28pm.