

Park Board Meeting

October 5, 2005 at 7:03p.m..

1. Called to Order

Called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Chair Person Jon Blanchard.

2. Roll Call

Present: Jon Blanchard, Jennifer Skibba, Gary Wille, Dan Schmidt, Eric Poole, and Pat Kanable

Absent: Ron Novinska and Steve Roche

Also Present: Assistant Public Works Director, Gary Disch

3. Approval of Minutes

Wille moved to approve the September 6, 2005 minutes. Second by Kanable.
Motion Carried.

4. Public Appearances

a) Kids Triathlon in August, 2006 – Oregon Community Swim Club

- Kelly Scholz and Ken McKelvey presented a proposal for the Oregon Kids Triathlon in 2006 Sponsored by the Oregon Community Swim Team.
- The Park Board suggested that Kelly and Ken talk to Mike Gracz and the Public Safety Commission.
- Team would be serving food, water, and sports drinks.
- Park Board suggested that Kelly and Mike come back to the January or February meeting to meet with the other community groups to schedule park use for 2006.
- The OCSC is hoping that 250 children participate. The suggestion was made to get a dumpster for trash.
- The Park Board suggested that Kelly and Ken reserve the shelter in January.
- **The proposal and event details are attached.**
- The Park Board made Kelly and Ken aware that we cannot block off the use of the paths through Jaycee Park.

Schmidt moved to approve the general use of the parks for the triathlon. Second by Wille. Motion carried.

b) Oregon Bicycling Organization

- The Oregon Bicycling Organization was presented with the updates that directly effect biking in Oregon. A map was presented with updates in Jaycee Park and Kiser Park. The map showed the bridges that have been replaced. The map also showed the plans that are being made for the future Keller Alpine Meadow Park and the bike path along Jefferson with is not part of the park. **(Maps Attached)**
- The Park Board also shared that the Village Planner has come up with the concept plans and worked with Vandewalle & Associates.

- The Park Board made a statement of support: **The Park Board is in support of the Oregon Bicycling Organization.**
- Rodd Wanger – A member of Oregon Bicycling Organization
 - Would like bike trails in the new sub divisions
 - Would like to establish long-range goals for connecting a path to Madison.
 - Would like to look at how to create safer paths for children and adults.
 - The Park Board suggested that the OBO speak to the Village Board.
- Jim Wendt - A member of Oregon Bicycling Organization
 - Wanted to know where the OBO can go from the Park Board?
 - The Park Board suggested going to board meetings in the surrounding areas. The Park Board also suggested contacting other areas that have bike trails established.
 - Jim made a suggestion to have the path 8 feet wide through the wetlands. A question for Vandewalle & Associates would be if this is possible?
- Hans Noeldner - A member of Oregon Bicycling Organization
 - Was interested in finding out how to get more support.
 - Comments were made to see what is in the plan for Oregon and the Town of Dunn in regards to bike trails.
 - The Bike federation may be a good group to contact for more information.
 - Tammy Baldwin has also been involved with some bike trails. You may want to contact her for more information and possible resources.

5. Unfinished Business

a) Discussion of Signs on Dugouts

- Roger Schewe and Gary Kalscher – Representing Oregon Baseball
- The dugouts were fixed by sinking two posts, which added a lot of stability. One field is not being done at this time. All diamonds are done except by the pool.
- Plywood is being added when on the inside for stability and to keep insects out.

Wille moved to approve the no less than ½ inch plywood ceiling to be installed onto the existing studding in the dugouts. Wille also moved to approve the repairs and completion of cementing the poles and finishing the concrete work for the dugouts by the pool. Second by Poole. Motion Carried.

- The business signs in the park were placed on the dugouts because of a fundraiser that was done to raise money to build the dugouts.
- Park Board discussed that signs need to get approval before putting any sign up in the parks.

- The Park Boards also discussed that there should be a formal policy stating exactly what kinds of signs and where signs can be placed in the parks.

Schmidt moved to have temporary approval pending the correction of misspellings on the signs until an official sign policy is established. Second by Poole. Motion carried.

- The Park Board will discuss the sign policy at the next Park Board meeting.

6. New Business

- a) Follow-Up to September 28th Joint Village/Park Board Meeting for 2006 Budget
- A discussion took place about the mowing of the parks and how letting the grass gets longer may affect the green ways and parks.
 - The question was asked about how many mowers the village currently has mowing parks and green ways. Gary Disch reported that the Village has 3 lawn mowers and 1 tractor. That four people are usually mowing every day during the mowing season. Gary also reported with a 16 foot self contained unit the Village could save on the number of people that need to mow.
 - The following reasons were brought up as concerns: Mosquitoes, wear and tear on lawn mowers, increases fuel consumption to mow longer grass, and backing up of storm water areas.

Schmidt moved to not adjust the mowing schedule concerning the parks and greenways because of the following reasons: Mosquitoes, wear and tear on lawn mowers, increases fuel consumption to mow longer grass, and backing up of storm water areas. Second by Poole. Motion carried.

b) Update of 2001-05 Dane County Parks and Open Space Plan

We should have someone to give input on parks. Jon will follow up with Mike Gracz about this meeting.

c) Discussion of Huntoon Field Bleachers

It has been recommended that some of the bleachers need to be removed. Some of the bracing is deteriorating. The Oregon School District is removing them. Jon will give Ryan Mangan a call about the long-range goal for the field.

7. Report of Public Works/Park Department

- a) Discussion of Additional Light at Skateboard Park
The light is not turned yet. We will have an update next month.
- b) Oregon School District – Building of Storage Facility Jaycee Park
The school district faxed the plan it was approved at the Park Board meeting in September. **(Plan is attached)**

8. Items for Future Meetings and Future Assignments

- A) Creating Park Equipment Fee for Developments
- B) “Draft” Ten-Year Capital Improvement Plan for Parks
- C) Oregon Parks Neighborhood – Concept Discussion regarding Liberty Park
–Nick Ladopoulos
- D) Park Shelter at Rustic Vinyards
- E) Directional Signs in Jaycee Park by Soccer Association
- F) Planting trees in Windcrest Park by Village of Oregon
- G) Dirk Mason - Planting of trees in Bergamont/Alpine Meadows Park by
Madison Area Association Greenbuilt Homes
- H) Discussion of improvements at Hawthorne Estates Park – installation of
path
- I) Request to install a water fountain on the east side of North Perry Parkway
– Roger Schewe
- J) Conceptual Master Plan for Keller Alpine Meadow Park (Westside
Community Park) review of cost estimates – Vandewalle & Associates

9. Adjournment

Schmidt moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Second by Kanable. Motion Carried.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted By: Jennifer Skibba.