

MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
CITY COMMISSION ROOM
JULY 2, 2001
4:30 P.M.

Present were the following members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Ms. Beverly Page, Mrs. Phyllis Moore, Mr. Roger Brannan, Mr. Larry Weaver, Mr. Gerald Reeck, and Ms. Jean Darbyshire. Mrs. Marie Steichen reported later to the meeting. Also present at this meeting was Mr. Terry DeWeese, Director of Parks and Recreation; Mr. Scott Shoemaker, Zoo Director; Mr. Jerry Dishman, Park Superintendent; Mr. Frank Gibbs, Park Planner; Mr. Ivan Wilkinson, Recreation Superintendent; and Mrs. Debbie Dugan, Administration Supervisor.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Page. It was moved by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Brannan to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 4, 2001. On vote, motion carried 6-0.

STAFF REORTS

Staff reports were given by Mr. Scott Shoemaker, Zoo Director; Mr. Jerry Dishman, Park Superintendent; Mr. Frank Gibbs, Park Planner; Mr. Ivan Wilkinson, Recreation Superintendent; and Mrs. Debbie Dugan, Administration Supervisor.

Ms. Page thanked Mr. Bill Warner for giving a tour of Warner Park.

LONGS PARK MASTER PLAN

Mr. Gibbs explained that he had met with members of the neighborhood and discussed the master plan for Longs Park. Improvements that are being considered include: adding parking spaces; limestone trail, painting of shelter house, open field for play, tree removal, light pole removal, new playground equipment with rubber surface, and burying existing overhead electrical lines.

The Board liked the master plan and expressed concern with the safety issue of the playground equipment. Mr. DeWeese stated that playground equipment is old, but not unsafe.

Mrs. Sue Moldrup, 1616 Colorado, explained that the playground equipment be a high priority for the master plan.

The Board suggested that Mrs. Moldrup make a recommendation to prioritize the playground equipment in the 2003-2008 Capital Improvements Program.

The Board asked if any of these items could be completed in 2001. Mr. Gibbs explained that the trail and tree removal could possibly be done in 2001.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

It was moved by Mr. Reeck, seconded by Mr. Weaver to appoint Ms. Darbyshire as Chairperson of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. On vote, motion carried 7-0. It was moved by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mrs. Steichen to appoint Mrs. Moore as Vice-Chairperson of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. On vote, motion carried 7-0.

INFORMATION TO CITY COMMISSION

Northeast Park Change Order – The City Commission approved the Change Order with a vote of 4-1.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. DeWeese informed the Board of the Budget Work Session on July 10, 2001. The Board was encouraged to attend this Work Session.

Grant Status – The City did not receive the TEA-21 Enhancement Project Grant for the Linear Park Trail. The grant was approved for the Skate Park from the Land and Water Conservation Grant in the amount of \$65,000.

There will not be a meeting in August due to a lack of a quorum.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Board held discussion on how to proceed with Warner Park. Further discussion will be held at future meetings on the process that will be conducted on the future of Warner Park.

It was moved by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mrs. Steichen to adjourn the meeting. On vote, motion carried 7-0.

Approved by Chairperson Parks and Recreation
Advisory Board

Date