



MINUTES  
PARK & RECREATION SUBCOMMITTEE  
September 10, 2002

MEMBERS PRESENT: Al Campbell, Tim Henderson, Van Lindquist, Robert Schlotman, Sheri Zimmer

STAFF PRESENT: Marcia Elkins, Keith Johnson, Sharlene Mitchell, Lon VanDeusen

OTHERS PRESENT: Karen Andrew, Chet Andrew, Randy Fisher

Call to Order

Zimmer called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

**Lindquist moved, Campbell seconded and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2002 meeting.**

Canyon Lake Chimney Project

Zimmer briefly summarized the Subcommittee's review of the initial design concepts and the expansion of the project's focus beyond the chimney site. Lindquist indicated that three initial design concepts had been prepared noting that the Subcommittee incorporated elements from all three designs into the Master Plan being presented at this time.

Fisher briefly reviewed the elements of the final design concept noting the incorporation of elements from the initial three design concepts. Fisher indicated that an irregular pattern has been utilized to emulate the area rock formations. He indicated the two accesses to the picnic shelter noting the utilization of patterned colored concrete and landscape boulders to direct pedestrian traffic. Fisher indicated that there would be some restoration to the fireplace. He then outlined the proposed lighting to be placed under the picnic shelter canopy and along the pedestrian walkways.

Fisher then addressed the elements of the water access proposed for the south side of the shelter. Fisher reviewed the utilization of retaining walls and landscaping to facilitate the transition from the lake shore to the picnic shelter. Discussion followed regarding the process for stabilization of the lake shore.

Lindquist indicated that the proposed plan addresses the major points outlined by the Subcommittee.

In response to a question from K. Andrew, Fisher indicated that picnic tables can be carried into the shelter as needed. Discussion followed regarding providing permanent picnic tables in the shelter and utilization of the chimney as a grill.

In response to a question from C. Andrew, Lindquist and Fisher indicated that the size of the support timbers initially proposed for the shelter were too massive and would overwhelm the chimney feature.

Fisher reviewed the projected costs to complete the upper portion of the project including the picnic shelter. He indicated that a natural break for phasing the project would be between the



upper and lower sections should the available funding be insufficient to complete the entire project.

Lindquist reviewed the funding resources available for the project including the budgeted funding, the Messinger family donation and possible contingency funding.

In response to a question from K. Andrew, Lindquist clarified that the memorial plaque would identify the site as "The Chimney Point" project by the Messinger Family. Elkins indicated that the memorial plaque will require City Council approval.

K. Johnson briefly reviewed the timeline for placing the project out for bid noting the need to identify the specific project elements to be placed for bid. He indicated that the intent is to bid the project this fall with construction to be completed by Memorial Day, 2003. Discussion followed regarding providing potable water at the picnic shelter.

**Lindquist moved to endorse the Canyon Lake Park North Shore Design Plan with the addition of picnic tables to be installed inside the shelter area. Schlotman seconded the motion.**

Discussion followed regarding placing the project for bid and the elements to be included in the project.

**Lindquist accepted a friendly amendment to the motion to endorse the Canyon Lake Park North Shore Design Plan with:**

- 1. the addition of picnic tables to be installed inside the shelter area, and**
- 2. the City Council to authorize staff to proceed with the Authorization to Bid.**

**Schlotman concurred with the friendly amendment.**

Discussion followed regarding the manner in which the underside of the picnic shelter would be finished.

**The motion as amended carried unanimously.**

**Lindquist moved, Henderson seconded and carried unanimously to request City Council to approve the placement of a plaque in the picnic shelter to memorialize the Messinger family donation.**

#### Financial Report/Project Update

K. Johnson reviewed the status of the current projects noting the unexpended funding of \$50,725 that could be directed to the Canyon Lake North Shore project. Lindquist indicated that he would contact the Messinger family regarding the amount of their financial contribution to the project. Elkins recommended that the Messinger family present the donation to the City Council in conjunction with the request for Authorization to Bid. K. Johnson indicated that the total budget amount for the project, including the Messinger donation, is needed in order to complete the funding authority.

Lindquist recommended directing the unexpended funding to the Canyon Lake project in order to complete as much of the project as possible. Discussion followed regarding the available funding and bidding the project with the lower level elements as various alternates.



**Lindquist moved, Schlotman seconded and carried unanimously to recommended that the upper level of the project (chimney shelter area) be included in the base bid with the lower level project elements (shore access) bid as alternates with the alternates to be funded in accordance with the identified budget.**

Lindquist identified the priority elements of the project as: the shore line stabilization, the colored stamped concrete pedestrian access, area lighting, safety railings, permanent picnic table and seating and the timber design of the shelter. K. Johnson outlined the timeline required to bring the project to bid. Elkins encouraged presentation of the project to the City Council at the earliest possible date.

Zimmer asked that the Canyon Lake Park Subcommittee assist Design Works and staff in finalizing the costs for the chimney project.

#### Rapid Valley/Star Village Proposed Park Sites

K. Johnson briefly reviewed the detention cell sites noting the available land within each cell for park land development and access. He then provided information regarding the projected impact on the detention cells from rainfall events. K. Johnson indicated that there is no current agreement between the City and County regarding the maintenance responsibilities for the detention cells.

Lindquist indicated that the Rapid Valley properties are contained within a County Tax Increment District created for the purpose of funding the drainage improvements and noted the impact of the Tax Increment District on City revenues.

Elkins indicated the need to address the purchase of park land in the Rapid Valley area and suggested that the Subcommittee consider whether the twenty acre site surrounding detention cell #103 would be appropriate.

In response to a question from Lindquist, K. Johnson indicated that the Star Village site plan reflects two (2) foot contours.

Zimmer recommended that the information provided by staff on the Rapid Valley and Star Village sites be reviewed for further discussion at the October meeting.

#### Park Facilities Report

K. Johnson briefly reviewed the information provided. Zimmer recommended that the information provided by staff on Rapid City Park Facilities be reviewed for further discussion at the October meeting. Lindquist requested that staff clarify if the current National Park & Recreation standards have been utilized to generate the information in the report.

#### Enchanted Hills Property Transfer

The Subcommittee requested that R. Johnson contact Black Hills Power and Light regarding the City's ability to purchase access to the Enchanted Hills site from the adjoining Black Hills Power & Light land.

#### Noordermeer Field Motion Detector Project

K. Johnson indicated that there has been no progress on the project at this time.



Pete Lien Field fence screening Landscaping

K. Johnson indicated that \$5,000 would be required to install landscaping to screen the Pete Lien fence. The Subcommittee requested that the item be continued to the January 2003 agenda and requested that VanDeusen provide plant material recommendations at that time.

Report from Park Superintendent

VanDeusen indicated that the Xeriscape Garden has been dedicated at Roosevelt Park. He commented briefly on the utility work problems being experienced at Robbinsdale Park. VanDeusen indicated that the 2002 Pool financial statements are being finalized and should be available for the October meeting.

Other Business

In response to a question from Lindquist, Elkins indicated that she was not certain of the status of the Hockey Group proposal; however, concerns have been raised regarding the expense of the infrastructure requirements to support the structure and the inability of the Hockey Group to fund those expenses.

Adjourn

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.