

MINUTES  
PARK & RECREATION SUBCOMMITTEE  
November 7, 2000

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mel Dreyer, Vivian Jorgenson, Van Lindquist, Robert Schlotman, Wes Storm, Sheri Zimmer

STAFF PRESENT: Keith Johnson, Rod Johnson Bill Lass, Sharlene Mitchell, Lon VanDeusen

Call to Order

Zimmer called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and introduced the new members.

Approval of the October 3, 2000 Minutes

**Jorgenson moved, Dreyer seconded and carried unanimously to approve the Minutes of the October 3, 2000 meeting.**

Financial Report / Project Update

K. Johnson briefly reviewed the status of the current projects including the funding reimbursement due from the Babe Ruth Organization. K. Johnson indicated that the Disc Golf project would be placed for bid in February and that the South Middle School tennis court project has been placed on hold pending the decision on the gym project. Discussion followed regarding the Wilson School project and additional projects to be funded prior to year-end.

**Lindquist moved, Dreyer seconded and carried unanimously to reallocate the \$10,000 funding for the Wilson School Playground Equipment to the Contingency Fund.**

Dreyer again encouraged staff to advise individuals seeking funding assistance of the guidelines and program criteria to insure that the Wilson School situation does not reoccur. VanDeusen recommended reinstating the application process. Lindquist recommended that the Parks & Recreation funding application be reviewed at the December meeting.

**Lindquist moved, Jorgenson seconded and carried unanimously to reallocate the \$2,200 remaining balance of the Jamie Johnson Bleacher project to the Contingency Fund.**

Discussion followed regarding funding of additional projects utilizing the contingency funds. VanDeusen indicated that the Old Storybook Island playground equipment should be replaced for safety reasons and requested Subcommittee consideration of the project. K. Johnson reviewed the scope of the Disc Golf project noting the corresponding funding increase. Discussion followed regarding the equipment installation for the disc golf course.

**Lindquist moved, Dreyer seconded and carried unanimously to increase the Disc Golf project funding to \$15,000 to allow for equipment purchase and installation.**

**Jorgenson moved, Schlotman seconded and carried unanimously to utilize the balance of the contingency funds (\$21,034) to fund the replacement of the Old Storybook Island playground equipment for safety purposes with the understanding that the project will be reflected on the Master Project List.**

Summary of Funding Reallocations:

	<b>9/12/00 Revised Year 2000 Projects</b>	<b>Project Reallocation</b>	<b>11/7/00 Revised Year 2000 Projects</b>
<b><u>1999 Carry Over Projects</u></b>			
Land Acquisition –Southeast	\$1,720	\$0	\$1,720
Sioux Park Improvements	\$47,235	\$0	\$47,235
<b><u>2000 Initial Projects</u></b>			
DCA Charges @ 13.85%	\$61,505	\$0	\$61,505
Sioux Park Soccer Lighting	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000
Sioux Park Tennis Court (four courts)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Timberline Field Lighting	\$1,640	\$0	\$1,640
Babe Ruth Field Lighting	\$75,000	\$0	\$75,000
<b><u>2000 New Projects</u></b>			
South Middle School Tennis	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000
Jamie Johnson Bleachers	\$25,000	-\$2,200	\$22,800
Playground Improvements	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000
Memorial Park Improvement Plan	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000
<b><u>2000 New Projects (7/11/00)</u></b>			
Wilson School Playground Equipment	\$10,000	-\$10,000	\$0
Disc Golf Course	\$8,900	+\$6,100	\$15,000
<b><u>2000 New Projects (9/12/00)</u></b>			
McKeague Field Safety Improvements	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000
Over/Under Budget	\$14,934	-\$14,934	\$0
<b><u>2000 New Projects (11/7/00)</u></b>			
Old Storybook Island Playground Equip	<u>\$0</u>	<u>+\$21,034</u>	<u>\$21,034</u>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$480,934</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$480,934</b>

R. Johnson indicated that the recommended funding reallocations would be forwarded to the November Capital Improvements Committee meeting.

Review of Subcommittee Administrative Materials

Lass briefly reviewed the functions and responsibilities of the Parks & Recreation Committee as outlined in the Bylaws.

Review of Subcommittee Budget Materials

R. Johnson indicated that the Five Year Plan and Project Prioritization would be addressed at the December meeting.

R. Johnson reviewed the Year 2000 Prioritized Project list and the various funding sources identified for certain projects. R. Johnson briefly reviewed the scope of the Year 2001 proposed projects and presented the Master Project List indicating that the list provides a twelve year history of projects reviewed by the Subcommittee.

Lindquist presented the project summary itemizing the projects that have been presented for Subcommittee consideration over the previous two-year period. Lindquist reviewed the selection process and criteria utilized by the Subcommittee to prioritize and fund projects. Discussion followed regarding possible federal programs that could be utilized for recreational projects.

Zimmer recommended that all Subcommittee members be provided a copy of the East Greenway and West Memorial Park master plans.

R. Johnson reported on the North Middle School park proposal indicating that upon endorsement by the City/School Committee the proposal would be presented for Subcommittee review. R. Johnson indicated that Community Development Block Grant funds could be utilized to develop the North Middle School facility.

In response to a question from Jorgenson, Lass indicated that the Beautification Committee has selected a beautification project in the West Memorial Park area and is working with the Messinger family to secure their approval of the project. Discussion followed regarding the status of the various funding sources identified for the West Memorial Park project. Discussion followed regarding the current TEA-21 application process.

#### Report from Park Superintendent

VanDeusen commented on the work being undertaken by the Parks Department including winterization efforts; pool, playground equipment and bike path repairs; and weed spraying and fertilizing efforts. VanDeusen commented on the cleanup of Wilderness Park. VanDeusen commented on the electrical upgrades being completed in the downtown nodes noting that the City Christmas decorations are being readied for installation.

VanDeusen reported on the fall recreational programs. VanDeusen commented on the increased activity experienced by the City pools during 2000 noting that a final Activity Report would be presented at the December meeting.

#### Adjourn

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.