

MINUTES
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
CITY OF BROOKINGS
April 2, 1981

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Vice Chairman Carl Larsen.

II. ROLL CALL

Members present were: Virginia Manley, Martin Palmer, Michelle Fallert, Carl Larsen, and Jim Harness.

Staff members present were: City Manager Lynn Stuart and Marshall Ferg Building Official. Also present was Councilman John Geraghty.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Commissioner Harness, seconded by Commissioner Palmer to approve the minutes of the March 5, 1981 regular meeting and the March 11, 1981 special meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. OTHER ITEMS:

1. Little League.

Jim Harness introduced Wanda Thompson, Recreation Co-ordinator for School District 17-C. Mrs. Thompson discussed the ballfield at the school stating that the fields are available for softball and Little League use. She said that the School District wants both the fields and school buildings used during the summer. Lonny Draheim pointed out that "B" field was rough and could not be used for play. Mrs. Thompson stated that the school could possibly help in building the fields. There was discussion of scheduling the use of the two Bud Cross Park ball fields. Little League would have 26 teams this year each playing 12 games. The men's softball would have 11 or 12 teams and the women would have 6 or 8 teams. The Commission recommended that the Leagues get together and develop a schedule of use for the fields.

2. Pool.

The City Manager reported that Jeanne Russ is working on the pool on a day to day basis. Jeanne Russ reported that the work at the pool and bathhouse is progressing towards the opening. The heater has been tested and is operating properly. The bathhouse floors still need sealing if the budget has funds remaining. The pool will be ready for opening on April 20th.

3. Concession stand.

Lonny Draheim discussed the concession stand for the Bud Cross parks. The Council would need the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Commission concerning the stand.

MOTION by Commissioner Harness, seconded by Commissioner Palmer that the Commission request the City Manager to explore the feasibility of accepting

a donated building for Bud Cross Park to be used as a concession stand, and report back to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Geraghty requested a special meeting to be held on the 16th of April, 1981.

MOTION by Commissioner Palmer, seconded by Commissioner Manley that the Commission hold a special meeting on April 16, 1981 to consider the concession stand. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Phase V Grant.

The fencing on the new Little League field was discussed. Marshall Ferg reported that the overhead fence on the backstop was a part of the original fence bid. The City withheld \$500.00 from the bid price because this was not installed.

MOTION by Commissioner Harness, seconded by Commissioner Palmer that further discussion of Phase V grant be tabled until the next meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Stout Park.

Commissioner Manley asked the status of the Stout Park. The City Manager reported that the land had been deeded to the City. Discussion was to place Stout Park and other park land into a planning stage. Commissioner Manley desired that a file be started on suggestions for Stout Park.

6. Budget discussion.

Councilman Geraghty reported that in order to pass the budget it would be necessary to stay near the current budget amount. The Budget Committee cut the Parks Director position and retained the laborer position. Mr. Coe in the audience, asked if the present tennis courts would be resurfaced. Councilman Geraghty replied that there were funds included in the budget for resurfacing.

V. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Commissioner Harness, seconded by Commissioner Fallert that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.



ATTEST:



Marshall Ferg, Building Official