

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING

April 22, 1999

ROLL CALL

Present: Mickelson, Higginson, Abbott, Canfield, Prevanus, Weldon, Babin, Thom. Absent: Gallian, Kofoet.

MINUTES

Minutes of 3/25/99 meeting approved.

Councilman K. Pepper handed out a request for a site development. The request is to create a permanent surface exit in the upper parking lot in Azalea Park between the present entrance and Lundeen Road. The issue was discussed and a motion was made and passed 7-0 to approve the request to City Council.

STOUT PARK

A motion was made and passed 7-0 for Abbott and Babin to take over the managing of Stout Park.

CHETCO POINT PARK

Tom Weldon updated the committee in regards to the work to be done at the sewage plant and when it will get under way. There was a discussion of when, where and how much gravel it will require to finish the trails. Don Higginson reported that on the new approach to Mill Beach that there are 2 ways to get down to the beach. One is a very sharp switch-back type of descent or a more gradual descent. The more gradual descent will go onto South Coast property. Don Higginson to stake out the more gradual descent and city staff to approach South Coast and see what can be worked out for an easement. A motion was made to address this matter and passed 7-0.

SOFTBALL/SOCCER FIELDS

Paul Prevanus reported that he had not spoken with Darryl Erb. Alyssa Babin and Ashley Thom reported that the fields are not finished. It was suggested that Babin and Thom approach Mr. Erb and ask him when the fields should be ready for use and then report back to Mr. Prevanus. Paul to then report to Tom Weldon.

PARK MASTER PLAN

Tom Weldon passed out a memorandum on 1999-2000 fiscal city council goals. Park Master Plan has to be developed and adopted. There was a discussion that park plan should be a comprehensive plan rather than a master plan at this time. A motion was made and passed to have Abbott, Higginson and Kofoet head the plan and passed 7-0. Craig Mickelson will work out the time for having a work party to address the plan.

LIAISON REPORTS

Don Higginson gave a short history of Azalea Park. Don reported the Azalea Park Foundation was going to place a plaque honoring Shirley and Bill Henry in the memorial statue in the lower park. Don also spoke about the bog area in the lower park and how Elmo Williams planned to landscape the area. Tom Weldon asked if either of these projects had been presented to the Park and Recreation Committee. Don stated that no notice had been made. Tom instructed Don to inform Elmo that there must be proper notification to the Park and Recreation Committee before any work can be done.

Tom Weldon reported that the swimming pool is going to become a hot topic in the next couple of weeks because the lease the city has with the county is about to expire. There was some discussion but no action was taken.

Motion to adjourn: passed.

Respectful Submitted N. Canfield