



## MINUTES

### PARKS BOARD - REGULAR Session Meeting

Wednesday, September 28, 2016 North Plains Senior Center 6:00 PM

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chairperson Doug Nunnenkamp; Board Members: Patti Burns, Evan King, Heather LaBonte, Teri Lenahan, Joanna Orgill,

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

N/A

**STAFF PRESENT:**

City Manager Blake Boyles; City Recorder Margaret Reh

**1 CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Nunnenkamp called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Nunnenkamp lead the Board in the flag salute.

**3 ROLL CALL**

**4 CONSENT AGENDA:**

(The items on the Consent Agenda are normally considered in a single motion. Any item may be removed for separate consideration upon request by any member of the Board.)

- a) Approval of the 09/28/2016 Parks Board Regular Session Agenda.
- b) Approval of minutes of 08/24/2016 Regular Session Parks Board meeting.

*Motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Moved by Councilor Lenahan. Second by Councilor LaBonte. Motion was approved unanimously.*

**5 PUBLIC COMMENT:**

*(Persons wishing to speak on matters not on the agenda may be recognized at this time. Speakers must complete a "Public Comment Registration form" on the information table and return it to the City Recorder. You are not required to give your address when speaking to the Board, only your name. Presentations are limited to five minutes.)*

**6 UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a) The Parks Board will review of the revisions completed at the August 24, 2016 Parks Board meeting of the North Plains Parks and Open Space Master Plan. Revised copy of the Plan is attached in a red-lined version and a clean copy.

Continued reviewing and revising the North Plains Parks and Open Space master Plan.

- b) Continue working on Revisions to the Community Trails Plan-Appendix A

## 7 ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

- a) Review of the Parks Capital Fund (131) budget report.
- b) Parks Board Comments

LaBonte asked for an update on how we will need to implement the Parks Plan. Boyles spoke to Steve at Cogan, Owens & Green and the reply was that there is something else that needs to be looked at, possibly regarding another aspect of the Comp Plan. Boyles will look into it more and get info.

LaBonte asked if Board could look at the new flood plain maps that are being adopted and how it will affect the park trail system along the creeks at next month's meeting.

Orgill asked how we will handle the parks base that will be coming in with the North expansion. Boyles says the Master Plan has not been submitted. Orgill asked if we could request that the developer plan for a trail around the expansion. Boyles said that acreage has been designated in the Comp Plan. LaBonte asked if the Parks Commission can have input to the Planning Commission at the time of the Pre-Application meetings. Boyles said yes.

Lenahan stated that she does not want to see the Jessie Mays project shelved. She understands that it is an expensive project but there are aspects that she feels we should look at for our own phasing. Discussion ensued. Nunnencamp feels we need to look at least the minimum work required to keep the building in good working order. Board members said this included siding, windows, the front of the building and outdoor restrooms.

Lenahan said she would like to push to get a new member on the Parks Board as soon as possible.

## 8 CITY MANAGER REPORT

- a) Ghost Creek Update

We are at about 65% of plans, still working on some of the environmental studies. Update on the ramp on the Martin side is that we are as close to ADA approved as we can get, it will be similar to a retaining wall. We will most likely still need to purchase a small amount of land from the Martins to complete the plan. We do have a backup plan if the Martin's don't want to sell or want too much money for the property. We are looking at starting the product next spring. The whole project could possibly go from the Turtle Pond all the way to 314th with an elevated boardwalk area from Very Galaway Trail head all the way to 314th. Phase 1 is the overlook for the turtle park, the trail up from the Martin side, and the trail/tunnel coming from the McDonald side. Boyles said we can post signage so that people know about the tunnel, and it will be visible from the McDonald's parking lot. Lenahan suggest PR

once the project is complete like possibly an Open House or Ribbon Cutting even to showcase the project and make people aware of the tunnel.

b) West Union Road pedestrian path

Boyles met with the county regarding the West Union Road pedestrian path from Sunset ridge to Glencoe Road. So far we have collected \$1.2m in TDT that can only be used for designated projects. The County feels that we could possibly use some of the TDT funds for the pedestrian path. The most expensive part of the project will be the bridge, at approximately \$500,000, but the county says this can come from TDT funds. The County is doing another bridge project in the area where they are putting in an aluminum bridge that is purchased in spans that can be ordered in whatever sizes you'd like. The benefit of this type of bridge is that you order the pieces in the size(s) you want and it can be taken apart and used in another location if/when needed. This would be ideal once the County decides to make West Union a three lane road, as we could use the bridge in another location simply by disassembling and moving it. There will be a gap in sidewalks from Sunset Ridge to McKay Field so Boyles suggests that we could possibly ask the developers to contribute some \$\$, and the County said that they would possibly put in some \$\$ to go towards the cost of sidewalks in that area. Washington County is checking to see if we are able to use TDT money to go towards Engineering costs. If so, we can start having MSA start the design and permit process as soon as possible, as we want the process started before 2018 when restrictions come into play.

c) Property near McKay Creek Crossing

Former employee Pam Smith's mother has a home on approximately an acre and a half near McKay Creek Crossing and is looking to possibly sell it. There is a Clean Water Systems easement through the property, so it is not buildable. It is near the end of Ghost Creek Trail. Boyles feels we could possibly utilize the house on the property for a while and look into putting a park or possibly a dog park there at some point.

**9 ADJOURNMENT:** Chair Nunnenkamp adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

The next meeting of the Parks Board will be Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

Submitted By:

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Blake Boyles, City Manager / City  
Recorder

Date Minutes Approved \_\_\_\_\_

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