

TOWN OF GRAND CHUTE  
PARK COMMISSION  
March 7, 2011

Minutes

Present: Peterson, Christensen, Sherman, Feest, Ward, Marquardt (DPW), Thyssen (TB)  
Absent: Boeckers, VanBruecken

Chairman Sherman called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Christensen moved approval of the minutes of February 8 as written. Petersen seconded.  
MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS

*Park Maintenance:* Mr. Marquardt reported that due to a fall and surgery, Mike Arft will have light duty until summer. Mowing will be contracted out for the summer. The rest of the crew will pick up remaining duties.

*Greenways:* Mr. Feest reported attending a Northstar meeting regarding the proposed walkway or trail along Highway JJ. A study is to be done by East Central planning on the area from County A to State Highway 55. The commission will be informed of the study's results.

OLD BUSINESS

*Parks/Department of Public Works*

1. Internal Trail Design: It was reported that two bids, McMahon and Graef, had been chosen by the committee of Sherman, Heling and Marquardt, for further discussion and negotiating. The recommendation of the committee will be brought to the commission at the April meeting.
2. Arrowhead Ice Rink: The rink was closed due to warm weather impairing the surface. It was reported that the rink had been used successfully and will be disassembled for the summer.
3. Summer Park Program: One, perhaps two, people will be interviewed for the vacant summer recreation helper position on March 19. Marquardt reported on line registration is going well.
4. Meadows at Warner Creek Trail Easement: Several letters from residents opposing the development of the trail were presented. Since permission would be required from all residents, the consensus of the commission was to cease planning for the trail at this time and inform the residents of this decision. Projected trail plans in the nearby areas will be continued.
5. Eagle Scout Project Application: Following discussion of the proposed bench building project, Christensen moved approval; Petersen seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Tourism Grant Ideas Discussion: The commission discussed the possibility of applying for grants for trail development of connecting trails which would better serve tourists/guests using hotels and motels in the town, and possible bleacher seating for Westfest. Mr. Vonck will be invited to the April commission meeting to address those possibilities.
2. Alliance Church Zoning Request: Mr. Sherman reported on a requested zoning change by the church so that further development of the property could be achieved. The easement of the town

for use of the park-like property at the church will remain in place.

3. Eagle Scout Project Ideas Discussion: Mr. Marquardt asked that additional project ideas for projects be submitted to him for a list to be made available to scouts who request to do a project.

#### TOWN BOARD LIAISON REPORT

Mr. Thyssen discussed the possible acquisition of land adjacent to the current town property.

#### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

There was no chairman's report.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

E-mails had been received regarding the trail easement and were reported in that discussion.

#### NEXT MEETING/AGENDA ITEMS

The next meeting of the Park Commission will be held on Monday, April 4. The meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room. Mr. Vonck will be invited to discuss grants regarding tourism and trail development. The Internal Trail Design contract recommendation will be discussed.

#### ADJOURNMENT

At 6:05 p.m., Christensen moved for adjournment. Petersen seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Martha Ward,  
Secretary