

Chaska Park Board  
Minutes  
Monday, June 14, 2010

The June 2010 meeting of the Chaska Park Board was called to order in The Lodge by Chairman Bostrom at 7 P.M.

Present; Bostrom, Grau, Maloney, Mason, Spizale, Merdan and Skoogman.

Absent: Roan and Johnson

Staff present: Kathy Skinner, Ron Pieper and Tom Redman

VISITOR PRESENTATION

Ron Pieper, CCC maintenance Superintendent, thanked the Chaska Park Board for their support. Pieper has worked as the Superintendent since the CCC opened in 1990.

CHASKA PARK BOARD MINUTES

Motion by Mason, second by Maloney to approve the corrected minutes of the Chaska Park Board meeting from May 10, 2010 and to send corrected copy showing Nick Mason as present to city hall. Motion carried.

Motion by Merdan, second by Spizole to accept the May 2010 Chaska City Council and Planning Commission minutes. Motion carried.

ATHLETIC PARK HISTORICAL GRANT AND MASTER PLAN

RJM has been hired by the city of Chaska as the construction management firm for the Minnesota Historical Society grant that was awarded to the city of Chaska for the grandstand concessions stand renovation. City of Chaska staff from the Park and Recreation and Public Works Departments will be meeting with Brian Recker of RJM and Chaska Cubs Baseball Board representatives on June 15. A meeting has already been held with the Minnesota Department of Health. The project is anticipated to start on August 15, 2010 and to be completed by the end of the year.

The City of Chaska is negotiating with Hosington Kogler to conduct the master plan work for Athletic Park. The idea is to have a master plan for the baseball field area in addition to a plan that will make the park more of a community park facility including additional uses. A master plan is being suggested now that it fits in nicely with the grant project and the work of the Chaska down town task force. The process as being discussed would include public involvement through the Cubs, the task force, and the Chaska Park Board with concept hopefully for review in July of 2010 with the master plan completed by years end.

CHASKA PARK BOARD VISIONING AND GOAL SETTING

The Park Board continued there discussion from last month on visioning and goal setting as it relates to long term and short term. A discussion focused on Firemen's Park and the

land at the intersection of Highway #41 and Chaska Blvd. The relevance is due in large part to the land currently being vacant at the intersection and in relationship to the work of Chaska Downtown task Force. Note was made that one of the short term goals of the Chaska Disc Golf Course had already been implemented and that others would receive further consideration as part of prioritizing for the park and trails capital improvement program.

Motion by Merdan, second by Mason, that the Park Board strongly recommends to the City Council that the property at the intersection of Highway #41 and Chaska Blvd. be preserved for recreational use only. The Park Board does not recommend at this time any specific recreational activity or use for this property. Instead we recommend that the City Council use the Community Center model from 1988 to invite and welcome the public and Chaska Fire Department participation. Motion carried.

### LET'S GO FISHING

Kathy Skinner gave an overview of the Let's Go Fishing program. The Chaska Park Board members were presented with fishing gift bags from Bluff Creek and Victoria Elementary Schools. Group trips booked for 2010 already include Auburn Manor, River Gables, Good Samaritan, Talheim, Kingway Retirement Home, St. Johns Lutheran, Lodge Cribbage Club, Extreme Kids, Friendship Manor, Summerwood, AOA's for Christ, Westview Acres, Guardian Angels, and St. Victoria Church.

The Chaska Park Board was reminded that their trip is scheduled for Monday, July 12.

### OTHER BUSINESS

- + Twins game for 80 AOA's on June 17.
- + Disc Golf rentals and scorecards are now available from the CCC front desk.
- + Memo on June 2010 leisure events in Chaska
- + Extreme Kids summer program for 80 kids starts June 15 at the CCC.
- + CC staff were congratulated for their constant attention to the web page, Face Book page, and cable bulletin board (Castnet) over the past many years. Note was made that city hall has hired staff to improve their communications efforts in many of these areas.
- + The Lodge June 2010 calendar
- + The CCC June 2010 calendar

Motion by Skoogman, second by Spizale to adjourn the June meeting. Motion carried.