

Minutes
Chaska Park Board
July 11, 2011

The July meeting of the Chaska Park Board was called to order by Chairman Bostrom at 7:06 PM in The Lodge at the CCC.

Present: Bostrom, Mason, Maloney, Merdan, Olsen, Wittrock and Grau

Absent: Wittman, Skoogman and Spizale

Staff present: Kathy Skinner and Tom Redman

VISITOR PRESENTATION

No one appeared under visitor presentation.

MINUTES

Motion by Mason to amend the June 13, 2011 minutes to include his approved motion to have the Chaska Park Board review the 2011 Commissioner's handbook at a future meeting. Second by Maloney and approved.

Motion by Maloney and second by Merdan to accept the June City Council and Planning Commission minutes. Motion carried.

CHAVELLE NEIGHBORHOD PARK

Kathy Skinner reviewed the process she was following with neighborhood residents to install playground equipment at the Chavelle Neighborhood Park. Their next meeting is scheduled for July 12, 2011 on site to pick the location and type of equipment to be installed. Comment was made that each park is different in relation to the input that the city receives from area residents.

SOUTH WEST CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL

The Chaska Park Board was informed regarding the status of their recommendation to the Chaska City Council on park dedication as part of the SW Christian High School plan. An agreement was reached whereas \$200,000 in addition to the 3 acres of land, which was adjacent to Griep Park, would be dedicated by SW Christian High School to the city of Chaska. Question was asked as to the date for the Griep Park planning process, which will be scheduled for fall of 2011.

2011 CITY OF CHASKA COMMISSIONER'S HANDBOOK

At the request of Nick Mason, the commissioner's handbook was put on the July agenda for review. Mason was suggesting that it was the Park Board responsibility to following all that was shown in the guidelines or to ask that it be stricken from future handouts. Examples given included oath of office, rules-bylaws-regulations, minutes, plat reviewal, annual reports, funds for work, policies, powers and duties. It was the preference of other Park Board and staff members in attendance that the system that we have been working under works very well and we need not delve into the unknown. Suggestion was made that City Hall be informed of the relevancy, or lack of relevancy, for future handbook editions.

CHASKA VETERAN'S PARK UPDATE

The Board was informed that the new scoreboard has been installed by Chaska Public Works. The scoreboard was purchased through donations from the Chaska Youth Baseball Association. The park has been developed and operated by city departments as envisioned when recommendation for creating the park was made to the Park Board and the City Council.

OTHER BUSINESS

- + The city parks and trails capital improvement program will be shared with the Park Board at a fall meeting.
- + July CCC and Lodge calendars
- + Question of whether or not the city of Chaska participates in mosquito control in parks.
- + August 21-22 "Little Dance in Chaska" scheduled for McKnight Park.
- + 4th of July celebration in Jonathan was a success.
- + Cubs Baseball Board and city of Chaska meeting scheduled for July 12 to discuss partnership opportunities.
- + CCC membership flyer as designed by Amy Hagen a hit!
- + Upcoming Touch A Truck event scheduled for August 18.
- + \$1,000 grant received by Chaska Area Chapter of Let's Go Fishing from Met Life.
- + Suggestion made to have Park Board members contemplate writing down "what we do" and how it serves community.

Motion by Wittrock, second by Grau to adjourn the July meeting of the Chaska Park Board.
Motion carried.