

DEXTER VILLAGE PARKS COMMISSION

April 22, 2003

Regular Meeting

Toni Henkemeyer called the meeting to order at 7:14 P.M. at the Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor Street.

Present: Henkemeyer, Burton, Walker, Steffey, Turner, Rodriguez

Absent: Jovanelly

Also Present: Allison Menard acting as recording secretary

Approval of the Minutes from March 25, 2003

-Moved Turner, support Steffey to approve the minutes with the changes made to the spelling of Rodriguez. Voice Vote: Unanimous Motion Carried

Approval of Agenda

-Moved Steffey, support Turner, to approve the agenda as submitted.
Voice Vote: Unanimous Motion Carried

Public Hearings

-Parks and Recreation Facilities Master Plan Public Hearing was opened at 7:18 PM
No citizens wishing to comment, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:19 PM

Zoning Officer Menard gave a brief overview of the text and appendices changes that were made. Changes were made to include updated newspaper postings and minor text corrections.

Moved Turner, Support Henkemeyer to recommend the Parks and Recreation Facilities Master Plan presented at tonight's meeting be adopted by the Village Council.

Citizens Wishing to Address the Commission

None

Reports and Communication

1. Chair
 - a. Toni welcomed new Parks Commissioner Juan Rodriguez and stated that she would provide him with Parks information to help bring him up to speed on the Commissioners rules and projects.
 - b. Toni, Nancy and Allison attended the Kiwanis and the Lions meeting and presented the Warrior Creek Park plan and the Wellfield Park plan and brochure. Toni gave an update on the presentations and shared the resolution that the Kiwanis passed relating to the changing the name of Warrior Creek Park and the \$6000 donation and the announcement that 1/2 of the proceeds from the Annual Kiwanis Car Raffle will be given to Warrior Creek Park.

2. Zoning Officer
 - a. Report included
 - b. Warrior Creek discussed and its aesthetics is an issue, need to clean-up hillside, and timbers around play equipment.
 - c. Creating a fundraising subcommittee was briefly discussed and the decision was made to

postpone the creation of the committee until next meeting.

Old Business

A. Wellfield Park Subcommittee – It was discussed that creating a Wellfield Park budget is top priority. The Lions Club has requested a budget and wish list, and the Parks Commission needs to develop the price that would be requested if someone would like the park named after them. The Wellfield Park subcommittee will meet before the next meeting to discuss the wish list. It was also discussed that the Village Council should be informed about protecting the Wells. As part of the well protection the Parks Commission should work on getting the Park renamed. Allison will check with Ed Lobdell about the restrictions on development of the park due to the underground utilities in the Park. Allison will follow-up with Craig to determine what modifications need to be made to the proposed plan. The Wellfield Subcommittee will have a timeline, priorities, and costs, including total cost by the next meeting. Juan volunteered to attend the subcommittee so that he can bring the information to the Orchard River Hills Home Owners Association. Toni said that she would email the wish list to Allison.

B. Warrior Creek Park Subcommittee – The subcommittee discussed getting together to determine what type of swings they want for Warrior Creek. The Kiwanis may be interested in buying swings for the park if funds are raised from the raffle. The workday was discussed and Allison will email a timeline to the subcommittee so that they know when the information will be needed for the workday with the Kiwanis. The subcommittee will submit the wish list to Allison upon receiving confirmation of the workday. Allison will check with Joe Schering of the Kiwanis to organize the best day for the workday. Allison and Craig will meet at the park to devise a plan for the workday, such as what should be done and what trees should be removed from the hillside. Craig will mark the trees that are to be removed. Allison will also talk to Dan O’Haver, DDA, about helping with the clean-up day. June 7th is the Ice Cream social – a target date for the installation of the swings has been set for that weekend. It would be nice if the Kiwanis and the Parks could arrange some type of family day for the unveiling of the swings. Based on the Kiwanis resolution to change the name of the park the Parks Commission discussed whether or not they would like to support this. It was determined that at this time the Parks Commission would like to postpone renaming Warrior Creek Park. It was discussed that maybe there is another way that C. Bruce Waggoner could be honored. Maybe a plaque on the sign.

New Business

- A. Welcome of New Member – Handled under Chair’s report
- B. Elections and appointments – The Village Council reaffirmed appointments and the resolution was shared with the Parks Commission.
 - a. Toni Henkemeyer was nominated for Chairperson by Steffey, support Burton. Unanimous, Motion carried
 - b. Craig Burton was nominated for Vice Chairperson by Rodriguez, support Steffey. Unanimous, Motion carried.
 - c. Karen Jovanelly was nominated for Secretary by Henkemeyer, support Burton. Unanimous, Motion carried.

Citizens Wishing To Address The Commission

-None

Agenda Items for next meeting

- Fundraising Subcommittee
- Bylaw Amendment

- Annual Master Plan review – Set Date
- Council budget period

Adjournment

- Moved Steffey, support Burton, to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 P.M.
Voice Vote: Unanimous Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Allison Menard
Zoning Officer