

DEXTER VILLAGE PARKS COMMISSION

April 18, 2006
Regular Meeting

Alan Greene called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. at the Senior Center, 7720 Ann Arbor Street.

Present: Henkemeyer, Green, Jovanelly, Steffey, Coy, Kepler, Semifero

Approval of the Minutes for March 21, 2006– Approved as submitted.

Moved Coy, support Steffey to approve the minutes as submitted.

Voice Vote: Unanimous Motion Carried

Approval of the Agenda – Approved as submitted.

Moved Coy to approve with addition to add item New Business item C, first reading of the Parks Commission, support Green

Voice Vote: Unanimous Motion Carried

Public Hearings

None

Citizens Wishing to Address the Commission

Mr. Cousins came to represent the Dexter Ringers regarding the property on First Street which was recently designated a park and to be used by the Dexter Ringers. He indicated they have leveled the area, trimmed the brush, cleaned the debris and put in ten horseshoe pits . They also brought in two eight foot picnic tables for anyone to use. Future plans include adding some bird houses, garbage cans and trees. Their primary usage time is June to September from 6 – 9 p.m. plus five tournaments that attract around 60 people. This group would like to see this park be treated as the other parks and have a porta potty supplied by the Parks Commission. Mr. Cousins does not feel that vandalism will be an issue.

Moved Coy, support Green to postpone the rules.

Voice Vote: Unanimous Motion Carried

Based on this discussion the following motion was made:

Green makes a motion to recommend the approval of \$400 for the rental of one porta potty for a period not to exceed five months to be installed by June 1st, support Jovanelly.

Voice Vote: Unanimous Motion Carried

Reports and Communications

A. Chair

- a. Welcome Paul Kepler, term to April 2007.
- b. Pack 448 will be cleaning the Warrior Creek play structure on May 6, 2006 at 10 a.m.. They will be using a power washer. They have not set a date to complete the project in Dexter Community Park.

B. Commissioners and Ex Officio

- a. Coy stated that since there would be no Warrior Park clean up that crews would be needed for the Gordon Hall clean up. They will be working on May 6, 2006 at 9 a.m..
- b. Coy also said that the tree board planted 30 trees on Baker and Dan Hoey roads. The money that was not used for the citizen participation program will be used to replace the dead trees on Meadow View Drive.
- c. Semifero stated that the section added to the Parks Commissions Bylaws stating the Parks Commission to review site plans was well received.

C. Community Development Office Report

- a. Will need to move the date that the Future Leaders of America (FLA) had planned to put in the rain gardens, due to the pavilion.

Henkemeyer makes a motion to suggest to the FLA that other options would be to either do a split rail fence in the First Street Park or provide assistance with the Gordon Hall clean up, support Kepler.

Voice Vote: Unanimous Motion Carried

Old Business

A. Community Park

a. Pavilion update. It was recommended in order to keep cost down the design needs to be lowered.

Greene makes a motion to recommend the design incorporates two steps and a modest soil grade of a total of twenty inches and relocate the structure thirty feet to the West, support Coy.

Voice Vote: Unanimous Motion Carried

b. Fundraising update. Council supports the building of the structure and gave 50K towards its completion.

c. New benches and bike racks funded through a grant from Healthy Communities Program. The two benches and bike rack will be placed in the Dexter Community Park. Steffey, Coy and Jovanelly helped Bishop locate where the benches and bike racks will be placed.

New Business

A. Park use applications for Monument Park for Saturday, June 10, 2006 for Tour de Dexter Bike Race and for Saturday, September 16, 2006 for a wedding.

Coy makes a motion to approve both parks usage permit, support Steffey.

Voice Vote: Unanimous Motion Carried

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None

Agenda Items For Next Meeting

A. Community Park Pavilion Update

B Ideas for Community Park Pavilion dedication ceremony

Adjournment

Moved Greene to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 P.M., support Henkemeyer.

Voice Vote: Unanimous Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Filing Approved 5-16-06

Karen Jovanelly
Parks Commissioner