

Medina Park Commission Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2014

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The Park Commission of Medina, Minnesota met in regular session on July 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Medina City Hall. Park Commission Chair Ann Thies presided.

**1) Call to Order**

Commissioners Present: Ann Thies, Madeleine Linck, Dino DesLauriers, Steve Lee, Ellis Olkon, Lori Meehan and Nate Pearson

Commissioners Absent: None

Also Present: Councilmember Melissa Martinson, Public Works Director Steve Scherer and Assistant to City Administrator Jodi Gallup

**2) Additions to the Agenda:** None.

**3) Approval of Minutes:**

• **June 18, 2014 Meeting**

- Page 2: ...~~these~~ the homes in Woodhill Preserve...

*A motion was made by Lee and seconded by Linck to approve the minutes from June 18, 2014 with the noted change. Motion passed unanimously.*

**4) Public Comments** (on items not on the agenda): None.

**5) City Council Update**

Martinson updated the Park Commission on recent City Council actions.

**6) Neighboring Community Park & Trail Plans**

The Park Commission reviewed the park and trail plans from the neighboring communities of Corcoran, Independence, Maple Plain, Orono, and Plymouth.

The following observations were made:

- Orono shows a future proposed trail along Tamarack, which Medina also shows a future proposed trail.
- The Maple Plain and Independence map did not show any connections to Medina.
- Independence did not provide a map of their entire city so the possible trail connections that boarder the City of Independence and the City of Medina still need to be reviewed.
- Corcoran will be developing the southeastern portion of Corcoran just to the north of Hackamore Road. The City of Medina and the City of Corcoran will be updating Hackamore Road when the development happens and a trail will be constructed on the south side of Hackamore Road.

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- The proposed future trail along Willow Drive should continue north of Chippewa to connect to Corcoran's proposed future trail along Willow Drive.
- Plymouth shows proposed trails along Medina Road, Hamel Road, and to connect to the County Road 101 tunnel by the Elm Creek Golf Course development.

**7) Park Study Area – Future Facilities Planning Map**

The Park Commission reviewed the existing Future Facilities Planning Map to determine if additional proposed park circles needed to be added to the map.

The Park Commission unanimously recommended adding a circle in the northeast corner of the city to serve the residents east of County Road 116 and north of Highway 55.

**8) Review Park Commission Handbook**

Chair Thies reviewed the Park Commission Handbook with the full Park Commission. Thies reminded the Commissioners about open meeting laws, the role of subcommittees, and how to properly represent the Park Commission while reporting to the City Council.

**9) Staff Report**

- Scherer reported that dirt continues to be removed from The Park at Fields of Medina. He also noted that his crew mowed down Medina Lake Preserve.
- Thies requested that at the next meeting the Park Commission review the approved citizen generated project list and questioned when the last time the park dedication fee had been updated.
- Linck requested that a small sign be installed by the entrance of the nature area at Hunter Lions Park to direct people.

**10) Adjourn**

*A motion was made by DesLauriers, seconded by Lee and passed unanimously, to adjourn the meeting.*

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Jodi Gallup.