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The December 4, 2006 City of Lino Lakes Park Board meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m., by Chair Lindy.

Roll call was taken; members present were Pat Huelman, Bill Kusterman, Katie Boyle and George Lindy. Absent members were Aaron Frederickson, Pam Taschuk and Paul Montain.

Also present was Rick DeGardner, Public Services Director and Sandie Wood, Public Services Department Office Manager.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 6, 2006:

Pat Huelman made a motion, seconded by Katie Boyle, to approve the November 6, 2006 minutes as presented. The minutes were approved.

SETTING AGENDA:

There were no changes to the agenda.

OPEN MIKE:

There was no one present for open mike.

DISCUSS AND APPROVE 2007 PARK BOARD GOALS:

Rick provided members with information to help them when considering the 2007 Park Board Goals:

The total undesignated funds, (as of October 31, 2006) is \$153,047.

Pine Glen Phase I Development (\$72,625) - He said it was the consensus of the Park Board to designate these funds for future development for Lino Park. There was also discussion to possibly master plan Lino Park in 2007. Assuming the \$72,625 is designated for Lino Park, that leaves a remaining balance of \$80,422 of undesignated funds.

He went on to say the City Council is considering allocating \$50,000 of dedicated parks funding on an annual basis to begin paying off the cost of the land at Centerville Road/Birch Street that was acquired in 1999. It is anticipated when the property is developed/sold the dedicated parks fund will be reimbursed accordingly. Assuming City Council approval, the Undesignated Funds for 2007 will be further reduced to \$30,422.

The proposed 2007 Budget includes \$25,000 for trails.

An alternative option for the Pheasant Hills trail segment that was discussed at the November Park Board meeting was to utilize surplus boardwalk segments from the Foxborough Development. Unfortunately, the developer doesn't have any boardwalk sections available. He said estimated material costs for the boardwalk

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sections is \$2,500 (assuming City Staff construction) and construction costs for the bituminous trail is \$20,000.

Estimated costs for park shelters are \$30,000.

Rick said literature on climbing walls was also included in the Member's packet.

All Park Board Members received the e-mail that Aaron Frederickson had sent Rick about the 2007 Goals.

Member Lindy wanted to know who would be doing the re-master planning of Lino Park. Rick's response was that Brauer and Associates had been used previously to master plan the City's parks. Members said they would like to meet with the master planning company and the neighborhood to get input on what amenities the residents would like to have in the park.

There was discussion about trails and the boardwalk for the pond in the Pheasant Hills Development. Staff was asked to contact Jim March to let him know how the Park Board feels about the boardwalk and about possible additional funding from the Homeowners Association. Rick cautioned the Board that this is not the norm that residents are asked to pay for funding a project.

After further discussion Pat Huelman made a motion to designate the park dedication fees from the Pine Glen Development for Lino Park and to re-master plan Lino Park. Motion was seconded by Bill Kusterman and approved.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT UPDATE:

Rick referred to the Recreation Program Highlights Flyer from November 2006. He talked about the Family Turkey Shoot, Breakfast with Santa, Secret Holiday Gift Shop and the skating season.

PARKS DEPARTMENT UPDATE:

Rick reviewed a memo from Mike Hoffman, Parks Supervisor, which summarized the maintenance highlights for November 2006. Member Huelman asked about the removal of the dock at Country Lakes Park. Rick responded that it was removed because it was a safety issue. He said staff plans to renovate the dock and put it back next spring. This dock is used quite often. Rick asked members to contact him if they had any further questions on the Parks Department Update.

NEXT PARK BOARD MEETING:

Chair Lindy advised the next Park Board meeting would be held on Tuesday, January 2, 2007, 6:30 p.m.

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ADJOURN:

Bill Kusterman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Pat Huelman. The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra Wood Public Services Office Manager

These minutes were approved at the February 5, 2007 Park Board Meeting.

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