PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
Regular Meeting

18185 Sycamore St.
Conference Room
ROSEVILLE, MICHIGAN
(586) 445-5480

Monday, March 19, 2007

7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Acting Chairperson	Pam Morency
Board Members	Carey Harris
	Richard Johnston
	Colleen McCartney
	George Rollinger
	Steve Truman

ABSENT: Gary Goodin
Dominic Miglio
Morris Wilson

OTHERS PRESENT:
Tony Lipinski, Recreation Director
Janet Gerebics, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairperson Pam Morency at 7:02 p.m.

I. Roll Call - (See face page)

II. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting, February 26, 2007.

BOARD MEMBER CAREY HARRIS, BOARD MEMBER COLLEEN Mc CARTNEY seconded to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2007.

Abstain: Richard Johnston
MOTION CARRIED

III. Disbursement

The board members discussed the disbursements.

IV. Public Hearing

James Goldwater, 19346 Brandt, discussed Item F under New Business. He is not in favor of leasing a recreation parking lot to a bar.

V. Communications

The board members discussed the communications.

VI. Reports of Committees

There are no committees in service at this time.

VII. Unfinished Business

There was no Unfinished Business before the Board.

VIII. New Business

A. Public Hearing to take public comments on the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund grant application for proposed Hike/Bike Path, Skate Park, Parking expansion and improved accessibility at Huron Park.

Mr. Lipinski explained that this is a Public Hearing as required for the grant application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund for improvements to Huron Park.

Raymond Whitehill, 25701 Rose St., stated that he was excited for the expansion of the park and thinks that all of the improvements are a great idea.

Craig Unroe, 25805 Koontz, is in favor of adding a skate park to Huron Park. He feels that there would be constant use by local children.

James Goldwater, 19346 Brandt, feels the improvement is a good idea, but questioned what the city's costs would be.

Mr. Lipinski explained that the city would be responsible for 32% matching funds. Some of these funds will come from the General Fund as well as funds from fundraisers. City employees will be able to perform some of the labor for the project which will be used as a portion of the match. There is also a possibility that if deemed appropriate, this project would qualify for an "Access to Recreation" grant which would match 50% of the City's match, reducing our overall cost.

Ed Wojciechowski, 26080 Linwood, questioned the width of the Hike/Bike Path and asked if it could be lined to allow walkers on one side and bikers on the other.

Kristi Whitehill, 25701 Rose St., is in favor of the improvements and is positive that her son and others will put the skate park to good use.

BOARD MEMBER CAREY HARRIS moved, BOARD MEMBER COLLEEN Mc CARTNEY made the motion to close the Public Hearing.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Board Member Steve Truman asked Mr. Lipinski about the time frame for this application.

Mr. Lipinski stated that notification for approval would not come until September 2007 and the bid process would start in the Spring of 2008.

B. Request from Mt. Clemens Gem & Lapidary Society to have their Annual Gem and Mineral Show at the Recreation Center April 17 - 20, 2008.

Mr. Lipinski explained that this was the same request as in the past. The organizers of the show would like to seek approval of the dates for the 2008 show. This would allow them to hand out applications to the vendors at the 2007 show.

BOARD MEMBER CAREY moved, BOARD MEMBER RICHARD JOHNSTON seconded to approve the request to from the Mt. Clemens Gem & Lapidary Society to hold their Annual Gem and Mineral Show on April 17 – 20, 2008. The proper insurance documents must be produced.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. Request from Kristi Whitehill to sell children's books teaching sports with a portion of the proceeds going to the Parks & Recreation Department.

Kristi Whitehill was present to explain her request for selling children's books that she has written on teaching sports. Mrs. Whitehill showed the board a sample of one of her "How to Play …" books. For each book sold, $1.00 will be donated to the Parks and Recreation.

Board members were concerned with the manner in which the books would be sold at the Recreation Center. A suggestion was made to have sample books available and use order forms for those individuals who wish to purchase the books.

Mrs. Whitehill did not have any problem with this method.

BOARD MEMBER STEVE TRUMAN moved, BOARD MEMBER COLLEEN Mc CARTNEY seconded the motion to allow Roseville resident Kristi Whitehill to sell the recreation-based books at the Recreation Center.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. Request from Bishop Hoskins and Pastor Jean to use a room in the Recreation Center two Sundays per month for church services at no cost in exchange for promotions.

Mr. Lipinski explained the request from Bishop Hoskins and Pastor Jean to hold non-denominational church services two Sundays a month and to waive the rental fee in lieu of exchange for promotions. There could be some conflicts with scheduling during the basketball program and other rentals. This is a temporary location for the church and the Bishop is unsure about the number of people who will be attending.

Board Member Carey Harris stated that approval of this request would be against the current Rental policy.

It was noted, that previously a room was rented by a church during the week and the rental fee of $100.00 was paid.

BOARD MEMBER CAREY HARRIS moved, BOARD MEMBER COLLEEN Mc CARTNEY seconded the motion to deny the request from Bishop Hoskins and Pastor Jean.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E. Request from Macomb County Quilt Guild to rent gyms/rooms at Recreation Center May 15 – 18, 2008 for Quilt Show.

Chairperson Kathy Santo and Kathy Andary were present to explain their request to hold a Quilt Show on May 15 – 17, 2008 at the Recreation Center. They would like to rent the entire facility and look forward to making the show an annual event similar to the Gem and Mineral Show.

BOARD MEMBER CAREY HARRIS moved, BOARD MEMBER COLLEEN Mc CARTNEY seconded the motion to approve the rental request with the proper insurance documents being provided.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F. Request from Lois Higel, owner, Pub Froggy to use/lease parking lot at Dooley Park after 9:00 p.m. on weekend evenings.

Mr. Lipinski explained that Ms. Higel was owner of the Pub Froggy establishment and is looking to expand their facility. With the expansion, there is a requirement to expand their parking lot to a required number of parking spaces via the Building Department and Zoning Ordinances. Ms. Higel has requested to use or lease the parking lot at Dooley Park after 9:00 p.m. to accommodate overflow parking during weekend evening hours.

Mr. Lipinski stated that he could not find a record for any prior request or agreement similar to this request.

Board Member Truman asked Mr. Lipinski if he had consulted the city attorney or the Building Department Director.

Mr. Lipinski stated that this request was received late last week and he has not had the opportunity to consult with either individual, but does intend to speak with them.

BOARD MEMBER STEVE TRUMAN moved, BOARD MEMBER CAREY HARRIS seconded the motion to table the request from Lois Higel until consultation with the Building Department and city attorney.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IX. Report of Director

Tony Lipinski discussed the following items:

a. Welcome to our newest board member Mr. Richard Johnston.
b. There is a new temporary person in our office, Christine. Starr Hickey is taking a Leave of Absence.
c. A seminar was held by the Community of Southeast Michigan and I was able to gather more information about grant funding.
d. There was an incident during one of the Dog Obedience classes where one of the dogs bit the instructor. The instructor was treated at Bon Secours Hospital for a superficial wound and is doing fine.
e. There is one week left in the elementary basketball program. Brandon, Steve and Bobbie have done a great job with this entire program.
f. Cheer night will be held on March 28. Mr. Lipinski expressed his appreciation to the Police Department and the Police Reserves for their presences and assistance during the Cheer night activities.
g. The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be 10:00 a.m. sharp on Saturday, March 31 at Huron Park. Thank you and appreciation go out to the Roseville Fire Department for their assistance.
h. The State of the City message will be delivered on March 31, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.
i. On April 20, 21 and 22, 2007 the Mt. Clemens Gem & Lapidary Society will be having their 2007 Gem and Mineral Show. The local schools enjoy having a field trip on Thursday to learn about stones and gems.
j. On April 19 from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. the Roseville Handicapped Association will be holding their annual Spring Fling. The proceeds from this dance support their activities throughout the year.

X. Discussion by Board Members

Board Member Richard Johnston thanked the board for their appointment nomination and is looking forward to working with the Recreation Board.

Board Member Mc Cartney welcomed Mr. Johnston and complimented Acting Chair Pam Morency on a good job handling tonight's meeting.

Board Member Harris thanked the residents for coming to tonight's meeting and for their thoughts and concerns about improving Huron Park. She also congratulated Mr. Lipinski on his continued good work and complimented the Acting Chair.

XI. Adjournment

BOARD MEMBER CAREY HARRIS moved, BOARD MEMBER COLLEEN Mc CARTNEY seconded, that the agenda having been acted upon the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:50 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,

Rae A. Oldaugh, City Clerk

PLEASE NOTE: A cassette tape of this meeting is on file in the City Clerk's Office for further information.