

MVHA Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2009

Meadowood Recreation Center

Guests: Jenna Baker, Special Projects Coordinator, Parks and Open Space Department, Trent Woolley, Landscape Architect, Parks and Open Space Department, John Sawtzke, Principal Landscape Architect.

Call to order at 6:45.

Board members present: Todd, Tricia, Ron, Troy, Elaine

Playground presentation by Trent Woolley.

Funds for the new playground are from the Arapahoe County Open Space Tax, which is ¼ cent on the dollar and from the Colorado Lottery Conservation Trust Fund. Both of these funds are strictly for Parks and Open Spaces.

The current playground has pea gravel and is not handicap accessible. The equipment is outdated and there is a lack of shade. The new playground is going to be interesting, fun and educational. The theme for the new playground is going to be a Solar System Space theme. Twenty five trees will be added to the playground area. There will be two areas: one for 2 to 5 year old children and the other for 5 to 12 years old children.

The timeline for the project is as follows: Construction Documents-Fall/winter 2009, Bidding and Awards-Early 2010, Construction begins-Spring/Early summer 2010.

The cost will be approximately \$300,000.

If anyone has any questions regarding this project, they can call Trent Woolley at 303-739-7160 or go to www.auroragov.org.

Suggestions that were made by board members were: drip watering system for the HOA flower garden, improve the lighting in the area, some space like a basketball court for teens perhaps in the area of the tennis courts.

Meeting officially called to order at 7:25

Minutes from last meeting: Changes made to the minutes: spelling error, HOA is providing materials to Johnson Design and the timeline for the weeding is up until early October. Tricia made a motion to accept the minutes. Todd seconded. The minutes were approved.

Financial Report: The beginning balance was \$2,853.12. Ending balance is \$3,671.87. Discussion followed about putting annotations on the budget so that all board members will know what the expenditures were for and where the deposits came from. \$179.10 to Alan was for materials for Johnson Design. \$1,000 has been spent on lawyer fees and there will not be any more money allocated to lawyers

regarding the exterior perimeter. Ron made a motion to approve the report. Todd seconded and the report was approved.

Welcome Committee report: Tricia stated that she is behind in making home visits. She is going to get a list from Cheri Long and plans to get caught up in September. She has not checked on ordering bags that she mentioned at last month's meeting, but plans to do that in September also. Troy said that he has snack bars that he will donate to put in the bags and Elaine gave Tricia some cookies for the bags.

Music in the Park. Todd reported that it went very well. There were probably not as many attending as last year. The root beer floats were a big success and there were probably about 150 served, many to kids. Todd made a motion to donate \$100 to the Symphony. Troy seconded the motion and all approved. Troy suggested another Music in the Park event with a band that he had for his son's birthday. The band cost \$300. Todd said that it was a possibility since there could be amplified music in the park.

Trash program update: The numbers are down. Many residents have not paid and that is why the last deposit from Pro Disposal is \$1,574. We are still above the 775 residents that are needed to be reimbursed by Pro Disposal. Pro Disposal gave us some signs to place around the neighborhood. Several board members agreed to help by placing signs in their yards and in other locations around the neighborhood.

Covenant violation notices: Todd reported that he had sent a letter to the homeowner that had the ATV's and other vehicles all around his home. The person who sent the complaint sent another letter stating that nothing had been done as a result of Todd's letter. The board decided that there was not sufficient money to take this person to court. Todd is going to suggest to the person who filed the complaint that he take the neighbor to small claims court. It was suggest that covenant violations be put in the newsletter, but that idea was not accepted at this time.

Right of Way Issues: Todd received a letter from a gentleman named Chuck Widdick. He stated that Tom Grimshaw wrote the original annexation agreements and that the agreements were very specific about the City maintaining the landscape on the outside of the fence. He stated that it was an extremely hot issue. He does not know whether or not these agreements were recorded. His feeling is that the agreement was removed from the city files and the maintenance language was removed from a revised annexation agreement without the knowledge of the homeowners. Todd contacted Tom Grimshaw and he has no records of the agreements. He said that he would be willing to testify about what he remembers. Todd spent hours looking in the files in the Arapahoe county files, but found nothing. Todd has talked to the Seville homeowner's association, and has been trying to reach the board members of Cherry Glen. Todd would still like to talk to the city and see if the HOA and the City could come to some sort of agreement to help resolve the problem.

Web Survey Results: Todd will have them posted on the web site in the next couple of days

GID for the library newsletter debate: Todd asked for letters to the editor regarding the library closure in the last newsletter. He has received 3 letters thus far. They all favor keeping the library open. They will

be in next month's newsletter. It was decided that this was the only action that the board will take on this issue.

Recreation Task Force: Todd went to the City's Recreation Task Force meeting. He recommended that they look at the purchase of Heartwood since they are looking to build new centers. The YMCA is still working on raising the funds. Pheasant Run was at a meeting with a signed petition to keep their pool open and the mayor just told them to try to qualify as a special district and get the funding that way.

Call for new board members: Todd and Alan will have served their terms at the end of this year. It is a possibility that they both may retire from the board. Their minds have not been made up yet. All board members were requested to seek other candidates for the board.

Next year's meeting dates and location: Since the city no longer has anyone working at the library to schedule the rooms,. and since the library may be closing, it was decided to have our meetings next year at Mission Viejo School. The annual meeting is scheduled for January 19.

Project Plans: Walgreen is still looking at the possibility of building on the corner of Hampden and Chambers.

Ron made the motion to adjourn. Troy seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00.