



MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
October 6, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

The work session meeting was called to order by City Administrator Post at 5:25 pm.

Present: Council: Mayor Randy Gilbert, Sharon Henderson, Liz Olson, and Sam Rettinger
(note that Gilbert arrived at 5:35 pm)

Staff Present: City Administrator: Terrance Post

Guests: Park Board Commissioners: Don Chillstrom, Cindy Borgert, and Nancy Dougherty

Absence: Councilmember Carpenter (excused)

APPROVE AGENDA

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Henderson, to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: all.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Discussion of Park Board

Administrator Post introduced the discussion topic by providing a brief review of the past methods the Park Board has been organized – as a stand alone organization, as a subcommittee of the Planning Commission, beginning again in 2007 as an independent board with three members that grew to five members in 2009.

Discussion then ensued among Park Board members and the Council regarding expectations they each had for the Park Board. As a result of the discussion, consensus emerged that the Park Board would function more efficiently and productively by having regularly scheduled 5:00 pm monthly meetings (the third Monday of each month was chosen), by having a staff point of contact to relay concerns or ideas as well as prepare packets and facilitate meetings (Marv Wurzer was selected), and by encouraging reporting back (including meeting minutes) to the full Council at regular meetings to keep communication lines open. It was also suggested that the map locations of all city parks be put on the website.

OTHER BUSINESS

No items discussed.

ADJOURN

Hearing no objection, City Administrator Post adjourned the work session meeting by general consent at 6:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Terrance Post, City Administrator