

DATE: October 31, 2000  
TO: Michael G. Herring, CA  
FROM: Brian McGownd, DDPWACE



City of  
Chesterfield

**SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes, PW\Parks 10/25/00**

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A meeting of the Public Works/Parks Committee began at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 25th, 2000. Councilmembers in attendance were Chairperson Mary Brown (Ward 4), Councilmember Barry Flachsbart (Ward 1), and Councilmember Barry Streeter (Ward 2). Also in attendance were, Councilmember John Nations (Ward 2), Councilmember Jane Durrell (Ward 1), Mike Herring - City Administrator, Mike Geisel - Director of Public Works\City Engineer, Brian McGownd - Deputy Director of Public Works\Assistant City Engineer, Darren Dunkle - Superintendent of Parks, Recreation and Arts. Several other people were in attendance. A copy of the attendance list is attached to these minutes.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

**\* To be discussed at the November 6, 2000 City Council Meeting.**

1. **Agenda Item #1:** Councilmember Flachsbart motioned to accept the meeting minutes of the PW\Parks Committee from August 30th, 2000, as submitted. Councilmember Streeter seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 3 - 0.
2. **Agenda Item #10:** Amanda Beresford, Executive Director of Chesterfield Arts addressed the Committee regarding art and the new government center. She requested that the Government Center be constructed in such a manner to accommodate various forms of art for display. This includes both indoors and outdoors. Ms. Beresford stated that no grant funds were available for the purchase of artwork. She offered her services to the City as well as the resources that could be provided by Chesterfield Arts. She requested that the Committee recommend to City Council that funds be appropriated to commission and/or purchase artwork for the new Government Center. Councilmember Streeter stated that he supports the idea of public art and thinks that it is a great idea to display art at the Government Center. However, he said he was not in favor of appropriating a large sum of money for the purchase of artwork. Councilmember Brown asked if the Government Center was being designed to be "art friendly". Mr. Geisel stated that yes; the Government Center was designed to be "art friendly". He said that display cases, structural components, and lighting were incorporated into the design such that artwork could be accommodated, but none was to be provided as part of the construction project. He said that the site work includes water features and bridges, and could accommodate outdoor artwork in certain locations. Mr. Geisel said that it was difficult to design specific locations to receive artwork when you have no idea what type, size or shape the artwork might be. Councilmember Brown asked if there was a dialog between Ms. Beresford and the architect. Mr. Geisel said that they had met on at least two occasions. Councilmember Flachsbart stated that he would like to accept Ms. Beresford's offer of assistance and that he thought that it was a wonderful opportunity to work with Chesterfield Arts to come up with ways to showcase artwork at the new Government Center. However, he stated that he does not

believe funds are available for the purchase of artwork. After some discussion the Committee requested that Ms. Beresford work with the Chesterfield Arts Commission and develop a specific recommendation which would then be placed on a future agenda.

- \* 3. **Agenda Item #11**: Mr. Dunkle and Councilmember Streeter went over the history of the City's involvement with the Gobble Wobble Run which is an event that the City and the West County Assembly of God Church co-sponsored. Mr. Geisel explained the events that led up to the mutual decision to terminate the partnership with the West County Assembly of God, and the reasons why the City decided to hold its own run on Thanksgiving, which is called the Turkey Trot. Ms. Carol Moffat, a member of the church, read a prepared statement. She described the history of the Gobble Wobble Run and the events that led up to the decision that led to both parties' agreement to go their separate ways. On behalf of the church, she requested that the City reschedule the Turkey Trot Run to a different date, and she asked that the City not use a turkey logo to promote the run. Councilmember Flachsbart stated that he thought it was too late to cancel or move the event, but maybe the City should decide if they should hold the run on a different date next year. Councilmember Streeter stated that he also felt it was too late to cancel the run. Discussion ensued on other dates that a run of this nature could be held on, and issues that would need to be overcome if the event was cancelled. A member of the church who was in attendance said that she was upset that the City ran an ad in the West County Magazine that advertised the City's Turkey Trot Run but gave the church's phone number. Mr. Herring stated that the City did not write the article, nor did the City provide any information regarding the run to the West County Magazine. No vote was taken by the Committee regarding this item. However, it was the general consensus to proceed with the Turkey Trot as planned.
  
- \* 4. **Agenda Item #2**: Mr. Herring informed the Committee that the sewer lateral tax is included in the current property tax bill which has recently been mailed out to residents by St. Louis County. He stated that even though only buildings with six or fewer units would be covered by the program, the County had sent bills to all condo units. Those that are not eligible for the program should not be taxed. However, the County is taxing all property that is assessed as residential. Therefore, some sort of refund mechanism will need to be established. **Councilmember Flachsbart motioned to authorize Staff to create a refund mechanism for all of those properties, which are not eligible for participation in the sewer lateral program. Councilmember Streeter seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 3 – 0.**
  
- \* 5. **Agenda Item #5**: Mr. Geisel reminded the Committee that, in conjunction with the TIF funding agreement for Levee improvements, the City committed to granting easements across the CVAC property to the Levee District, and the Levee District agreed to compensate City for same. These funds had been designated to reimburse the City for its costs related to the acquisition of the CCA property, and any excess funds were to be directed to parking lot improvements at the CVAC. **Councilmember Flachsbart motioned to authorize Mr. Geisel to work with the City Attorney to finalize this agreement and forward it directly to the City Council for further action. Councilmember Streeter seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 3 – 0.**

6. **Agenda Item #8**: Mr. Dan Burns representing Unicom ARC made a presentation to the Committee regarding the public engagement process and how it might be used to build consensus regarding parks and recreation issues. Due to time constraints Mr. Burns did not finish his presentation. Councilmember Brown stated that she felt that the information provided by Mr. Burns was a great idea but she needed to know the cost associated with hiring a firm to assist the City with this process. Discussion ensued regarding the timing of obtaining a detailed proposal from Unicom ARC. **Councilmember Flachsbart motioned to table this item until the next meeting of the Committee. Councilmember Streeter seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 3 – 0.**

[City Attorney Doug Beach joined the meeting at this time.]

7. **Agenda Item #14**: Councilmember Streeter motioned to enter executive session pursuant to RSMo 610.021. Councilmember Flachsbart seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken. Councilmember Flachsbart, aye; Councilmember Streeter, aye; Councilmember Brown, aye. **The motion to enter executive session passed unanimously at 7:20 p.m..**

[The Committee re-convened the regular meeting at 7:48 p.m.. Councilmember Flachsbart left the meeting and the Committee no longer had a quorum. As a result, none of the following should be taken as "official" actions of the Committee.]

8. **Agenda Item #3**: Mr. Geisel discussed the proposed meeting schedule for 2001. After some further discussion it was decided that the proposed schedule was acceptable with the understanding that it may be necessary to schedule additional meetings dependent upon the amount of agenda items.
9. **Agenda Item #4**: Mr. Dunkle gave a brief summary of the Parks Division Report. Mr. Dunkle noted that the non-resident fees for the pool had not been revised.
10. **Agenda Item #6**: Mr. Geisel informed the Committee that the Public Works Citizen Advisory Group recently discussed the issue regarding the adequacy of the City's current stormwater standards. Mr. Geisel stated that the PWCAG unanimously re-affirmed the current City policies and standards for storm water design, which are consistent with MSD's design standards that have been adopted by the City. Mr. Geisel also stated that the PWCAG recommended to this Committee that the City of Chesterfield's Concrete Pavement Specification & Acceptance Policy for both New Development and for Work Contracted by the City, as modified, be adopted as an official policy. Mr. Geisel pointed out that the policies enclosed in the packet reflected the modifications that were made by the PWCAG. Mr. Geisel informed the Committee that the policy included the requirement for the installation of a geotextile fabric between the subgrade and the rock base for all new construction. He said that the HBA had opposed this requirement. Councilmember Brown asked for an explanation regarding when meramec gravel concrete would be used in lieu of limestone aggregate concrete. Mr. Geisel said that each developer could use either type of concrete for new developments, however, we would anticipate that they would decide to use limestone

aggregate concrete most of the time. On slab replacement projects that are contracted out the concrete slabs will be replaced with concrete of the same material as the existing slabs. Councilmember Brown said that she was concerned about ready mix trucks washing their chutes out into the storm sewer inlets. She asked if this policy addressed this issue. Mr. Geisel said this issue is an enforcement issue not a pavement specification issue. He stated that washing the chute out into a storm sewer system is illegal and a violation of the Clean Water Act. This item will be added to the next Committee agenda for action.

11. **Agenda Item #7**: Mr. Dunkle explained the proposal submitted by the Rockwood School District which requests the City to share in the funding of an outdoor pavilion/classroom at the Kehrs Mill Elementary School Park Site. Councilmember Streeter stated that he would have to be convinced that this proposal was park-related. Councilmember Brown said that she believes that it is park-related and is no different than past projects that the City has partnered with the school districts. Mr. Herring suggested that that the Committee simply needed to determine if this pavilion/classroom is necessary and appropriate, and is it an amenity that the City would like to have. If so, having Rockwood pay 50% seemed like a good deal. After further discussion it was decided that this issue should be referred to the Historical Commission and the PRACAC. These groups will discuss this issue and provide a recommendation to the PW/Parks Committee at its next meeting.
12. **Agenda Item #9**: Mr. Dunkle and Mr. Herring explained this item to the Committee and informed them that earlier this evening the Finance & Administration Committee directed staff to continue enforcing the current rule of not allowing coolers to be brought into the athletic complex. The Committee agreed with the direction given by the Finance & Administration Committee, which was to continue with the current practice and park rules.
13. **Agenda Item #12**: Carol Broemmer, Chairman of the Central Plank Road 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration Committee addressed the committee and described the events that would take place in regards to the celebration. Ms. Broemmer stated that the celebration was tentatively scheduled for May 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of 2001, and would include a bicycle tour originating in University City and would travel along Olive Boulevard all the way through Chesterfield. She said that all of the details had not been worked out at this time. She requested the City's approval to utilize Olive Boulevard for the bicycle tour. Mr. Herring informed the Committee that events similar to this one had been held in the City in the past, without the City's permission, and that there were several residents and elected officials who were upset with the inconvenience that they were subjected to in regards to the closures and delays experienced on Olive Boulevard. Due to this past experience he believes that it is necessary for this type of event to obtain approval from the City. Mr. Herring stated that details would have to be worked out with the Police Department as well as MoDOT. It was decided that once Ms. Broemmer's Committee worked out the details this item should be forwarded to the City Council for their action.
14. **Agenda Item #13**: This item was not discussed due to pending litigation.

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15. ***Other:*** Councilmember Brown discussed with the Committee the possibility of organizing a tour for the City Council of the City's various park facilities, the new Government Center site, and the levee. Mr. Herring suggested that rather than try to coordinate everyone's schedule and arrange for transportation it may be best for Staff to take a couple of Councilmembers at a time on the tour. It was decided that Mr. Geisel would contact each Councilmember directly to schedule as many such tours as possible.

The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

The next meeting of the PW\Parks Committee is scheduled for January 24, 2001 at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Conference Room.

cc: Mayor Nancy Greenwood  
Department Heads/Executive Staff

Public Works / Parks Committee  
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Marilyn Metcalf	15316 Coventry Woods Ct.
Rhonda Mahtani	2056 Emerald Crest Ct.
Carol Moffatt	1740 Millstream Dr.
Connie Wilson	1002 Terrace Rock Cir.
Michael A Congemi	2313 Callender Ct.
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Don Eber	14278 Dinsmoor, 63017
Terry Wenthy	570 Corley, 63017
Corynne Davis	1422 Elbridge Payne, 63017
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