

**AGENDA FOR
CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS' "NOON" MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 9, 2005
CONFERENCE ROOM 113**

I. MINUTES

1. Minutes from Directors' Meeting of May 2, 2005.
2. Minutes from Council Members' "Noon" Meeting of May 2, 2005.

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES

1. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting (Cook)

OTHER MEETINGS REPORTS:

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - To Be Announced

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - To Be Announced

V. MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS -

1. Phoenix Award Presentations on Thursday, May 19, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. at 1st Choice Credit Union, 2500 "N" Street, lower level - (See Invitation)
2. Sue Hinrichs as Lincoln Action Program's newly appointed Executive Director, would like to thank you for your partnership and on-going commitment to our agency. Please join me at our Open House on Thursday, May 19, 2005 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Lincoln Action Program, 210 "O" Street - (See Letter of Invitation)

3. Please join us as the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce holds its 3rd Annual Unity Forum on Wednesday, May 18, 2005 at 8:00 a.m. at the Chambers Offices (come early for an espresso from Espresso to You starting at 7:00 a.m.)- Registration fee \$5.00 for Continental Breakfast - (See E-Mail Invitation)
4. E-Mail Invite from Polly McMullen, Downtown Lincoln Association - "40 Under 40" Breakfast on Friday, May 13, 2005 from 7:15 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at The Cornhusker Hotel -(DLA has purchased a table for this event & they have 5 seats left at their table as of today 5/05/05) - RSVP to Brenda Bergman at 434-6905 or by E-Mail - (See E-Mail Invitation)

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Council Members Present: Ken Svoboda, Vice-Chair; Jonathan Cook, Glenn Friendt, Annette McRoy, Patte Newman; *ABSENT:* Jon Camp, Terry Werner - (both attending Federal Fly-In - Washington, D.C.)

Others Present: Rick Hoppe, Ann Harrell, Mayor's Office; Dana Roper, City Attorney's Office; Joan Ray, Council Staff; Deena Winter, Lincoln *Journal Star* representative

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Mr. Svoboda, Vice-Chair, requested a motion to approve the above-listed minutes. Patte Newman moved approval of the minutes by acclamation. Jonathan Cook seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous consent of the Council Members present.

II. COUNCIL REPORTS ON BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND CONFERENCES -

1. **PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD (Cook)** Mr. Cook reported that Parks & Rec was 18% ahead of last year on revenue for the golf courses. The five acres at the Highlands golf course that we surplused has been appraised at \$825,000, which will go into the Golf Fund.

The park site at 14th and Arbor did not "pan out" because the family decided they didn't want to sell. That was where we were going to spend the money from the sale at Woods Park. There are a number of other locations around town now being considered. There is one in Ashley Heights where a couple of blocks would need to be purchased to provide access to a park there; Fleming Fields; Peach Park, (where a house burned down which affords an opportunity to expand the park there); and there is still the possibility of park development at 25th and Old Cheney -but Alltel owns that land and would have to be generous in order for the City to work out a deal there. If they were to be generous, it is possible that this money could be used for a variety of locations in existing neighborhoods that are in need of park land. These would all be good expenditures if we can make them work.

Mr. Cook noted that there had been a motion made, because of the discussion about cutting pool hours, about looking at going to once-per-month pay periods for the City and seeing what that would save us. This was just mentioned as an issue to be looked into.

Mr. Cook reported that September 16, 1905 was the date of the first meeting of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, so we're coming close to the 100th Anniversary. They showed a copy of the minutes from that first meeting, which indicated that they had formed a committee to draft the by-laws.

The Woods Park Spray-ground will become operational on June 16th. The Pioneers Golf Course will be 75 years old and they're having a celebration on Wednesday, May 8th. Ms. McRoy asked if that was the invitation they had received. Mr. Friendt noted that it was an "everybody come play" invitation as part of the celebration.

Mr. Cook concluded his report, informing Council that the Citizens for Quality Parks and Trails lobbying group will become a 501C4 organization, which means that donations to the group will not be deductible and they will be able to do lobbying work.

Ms. McRoy informed Council that she has been contacted by some young men who are requesting that the City build another skate park in Northwest Lincoln. They are proposing the park area to be by Sun Valley Boulevard, near the BMX Track. She stated that she has been working with Lynn Johnson to arrange a meeting to explain to them the processes involved in building a City Park facility. She noted that she wanted to update Council so that when this issue appears on the Parks & Rec Advisory Board's Agenda, no one would be caught unawares.

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS - None

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR - None

V. MISCELLANEOUS - None Noted on Agenda. Mr. Svoboda did take this time to make sure that everyone was aware of the schedules set up for next Monday's meetings: Brunch at the Nebraska Club from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.. There will be no City Bus for transportation. Everyone will simply meet over there; then return to the County-City Building for an 11:00 a.m. Directors' Meeting. Mr. Svoboda determined that since Council would be in the building, they may as well have a "Noon" meeting on the 16th, which had not originally been scheduled. This was agreed to by Council.

VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

JON CAMP - Absent

JONATHAN COOK - No Further Comments

GLENN FRIENDT - No Further Comments

ANNETTE McROY - No Further Comments

PATTE NEWMAN - No Further Comments

KEN SVOBODA - No Further Comments

TERRY WERNER - Absent

ANN HARRELL - No Further Comments

RICK HOPPE - No Further Comments

DANA ROPER - No Further Comments

VII. MEETINGS/INVITATIONS - Noted Without Significant Comment

VIII. ADJOURNMENT - Council adjourned at approximately 11:22 a.m.

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