

May 15, 2019

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SIOUX FALLS PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD was held on Wednesday, May 15, 2019, at 4 p.m. at the City Center.

Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Members present: Lorrae Lindquist, Jim Stavenger, Ann Nachtigal, Mark Steinborn, Todd Sundleaf, and Patti Abdallah.

Members absent: Mike Begeman.

Parks and Recreation staff present: Don Kearney, Director of Parks and Recreation; Sky Smothers, Recreation Manager; Jackie Nelson, Administrative Manager; Kelby Mieras, Park Operations Manager; Tory Miedema, Park Development Specialist; Mike Patten, Park Development Specialist; and Rita Meyer, Administrative Assistant.

Others present: Karen Leonard, City Attorney's Office; Larry Plucker, Jr., President, Sioux Falls Pickleball Club.

Approval of Minutes (April 17, 2019)

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Steinborn and seconded by Nachtigal. Motion passed unanimously with all present Board members voting yes.

Public Input

No public input.

Report of Standing Committees

The Marketing and Public Needs Committee did not meet. The Park System Planning and Development Committee discussed the item on this agenda, as well as the new Parks and Recreation Mission Statement, the Elmwood Clubhouse, implementing a ten-minute break at the Midco(R) Aquatic Center, the Falls Park Master Plan, the new downtown dog park, the Arboretum Master plan, the downtown skate park, and improvements to Harmodon fields. The Partnerships and Recreation Committee discussed the item on this agenda and the same items as the Planning and Development Committee.

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business.

Under New Business

Sioux Falls Pickleball Club Gifting Agreement: Smothers shared details of the gifting agreement with the Sioux Falls Pickleball Club. This gifting agreement is for funds to stripe three additional pickleball courts on the existing basketball court at Riverdale Park. This will cover the cost of the contractor to complete the work. Basketball will remain the main use of this area, and these will be overflow courts during busy playing times. After some discussion from the Board, a motion to recommend approval was made by Nachtigal and seconded by Steinborn. Motion passed unanimously with all Board members voting yes.

Report of Director of Parks and Recreation

Kearney shared that Landscapes Unlimited and Avera have partnered again on the range ball, hole signs and drinking fountain sponsorships, etc. similar to years past. A value of \$28,000. New this year is a partnership where season pass holders at the City courses will receive 15percent discounts on rates at both of Avera's fitness centers. Avera employees and their fitness center members will receive a 15percent discount on green fees at the City courses during the 2019 season. Following the golf season, the parties will evaluate the partnership and determine a path forward for next year. Avera will also sponsor the youth golf programs, and the courses will provide sponsorship signage and social media mentions. Avera will pay \$20,000 for these sponsorships opportunities.

Mieras shared that ash tree removals will be suspended between Memorial Day and Labor Day. Stump removal will take place during the summer months for trees removed this spring. Our street tree inventory will also start in June, and will be completed prior to Labor Day.

Mieras also shared details regarding ongoing repairs from flood damage. Restrooms that were flooded are still closed until electrical power can be restored, which could potentially take until the end of summer. Porta pots have been placed in each park that typically has had restroom facilities until such time each restroom is able to be reopened. FEMA toured our facilities this week to determine a preliminary damage assessment and a possible disaster declaration.

Patten gave an update on the Falls Park Viewing platforms. Work is progressing well and is expected to be completed early June.

Miedema shared details regarding several projects. The final paving is done on the parking lot at Elmwood Golf Course, with the final landscaping details around the lot, the median, and the sign to be completed in the next two weeks. Rotary Park construction is close to completion and is expected to be open in approximately two weeks. Farm field has been tilled up and will have irrigation installed by the first part of June. Playground replacements in several parks will take place beginning early June and continuing through July. Internal asphalt trails at Lyons Centennial Park will be replaced with concrete beginning in June and continuing into mid-July.

Smothers mentioned that outdoor pool facilities will open May 31 for the summer.

Items Added After the Agenda Deadline

None.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Abdallah. Meeting adjourned.

Secretary

Approved by:

President