

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Veterans' Memorial Park Advisory Board Meeting**  
**Friday, December 10, 2010, 7:30 a.m.**  
**Parks and Recreation Office**

**Members Present:** Dwight Hahn, Lawrence Ritz, Dave Nordlund, Ron Mielke, and Bob Jamison.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Parks and Recreation Staff present:** Don Kearney, Director of Parks and Recreation; Tory Miedema, Park Development Specialist; and Kelby Mieras, Operations Manager.

**Others Present:** None.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2010, meeting. The motion was seconded. Motion carried.

**Unfinished business:**

**Interpretive Center Timeline:** Tory Miedema presented a timeline for the construction of the Interpretive Center based on the Veterans' Advisory Board securing the April to July 2014 Chamber Community Appeals slot. The timeline included the design and construction of the exhibits within the building, based on input from Bill Hoskins and Alan Wieskamp. The Board would like to present the Interpretive Center idea to Bill Hoskins's Board to gauge their interest and get their support to potentially operate the museum should the facility be constructed. They also discussed the funding needs and how much they were willing to raise funds privately to support the project.

The Board would like to fund the design and construction of the exhibits, with the City to fund the design and construction of the Interpretive Center Building. A motion was made to commit to raising \$1,200,000 for the project with the idea that this dollar amount would fund the design and construction of the exhibits that would be on display within the Interpretive Center. \$3,000,000 would come from the City of Sioux Falls, for a total project of \$4,200,000. The motion was seconded. Motion carried.

**New business:**

**2011 Meeting Schedule:** Don Kearney provided the Board with the schedule for 2011.

**Fund Raising Report:** The total to date is \$717,176, with an unspent balance of \$158,678.

**2011 Paver Installation Schedule and Order Forms:** Don Kearney provided the Board with the schedule for 2011 and the updated forms.

**Tax Exempt Status of Second Party Donations:** Second party donations are not tax deductible. If the donor wants the tax deduction, they must make the check out to the Veterans' Memorial Park Fund.

**Paver Directory:** Kelby Mieras presented a couple options for an outdoor paver directory. The Board asked him to continue researching the LCD display. They also asked him to have Jon Jacobson of Confluence recommend locations and mounting options for this type of display.

**Public input:** None.

**Board Service Recognition Award:** Don Kearney presented Dave Nordlund with a plaque recognizing his six years of service on the Veterans' Memorial Park Advisory Board and thanked Dave for his input, patriotism, and devotion to Veterans' Memorial Park and the Board.

With no further business before the Board, a motion was made to adjourn. The motion was seconded. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be on **February 11, 2011, at 7:30 a.m.** at the Parks and Recreation Office located at 100 East Sixth Street.

Approved:

  
President