A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SIOUX FALLS PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD was held on Tuesday, October 12, 2010, at 4 p.m. at the Main Library.

A tour of park facilities was held at 2 p.m., prior to the meeting. The tour stops were Harmodon Park, Memorial Park, and Sherman Park.

Members and staff present on the tour: Sandra Pay, Michael Crane, Pat Lloyd, Patti Abdallah, Don Kearney, Dave Fischer, Kelby Mieras, Alicia Luther, and Tory Miedema.

Members present at the meeting: Sandra Pay, Michael Crane, Pat Lloyd, and Patti Abdallah.

Members absent: Kevin Nyberg and Mark Millage.

Parks and Recreation staff present at the meeting: Don Kearney, Director; Dave Fischer, Assistant Director; Kelby Mieras, Operations Manager; Alicia Luther, Recreation Manager; and Tory Miedema, Park Development Specialist.

Others present at the meeting: Kenny Anderson Jr., City Council member; Don Wiley, Men's Fast Pitch Softball Association; Carol Pippgrass and Mike Dykstra, S.D. Amateur Softball Association; Chris Pearson, Falls Area Single Track; Jim Weixel, Leaders Park neighborhood representative; Fred Lee, Leaders Park neighbor; Dena Espenscheid, Black Events and Advertising; and Dave Burwitz.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2010, meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was passed.

No public input.

For committee reports, Don Kearney reported that the Marketing and Public Needs Committee discussed guidelines for special events. The main topic was the use of park ground for events held by for-profit entities. Staff is researching what policies other cities have, and the topic will be revisited at future committee meetings. The committee also discussed doing another Community Needs Assessment to get updated feedback on the needs and wants of the community for park facilities and programs. Michael Crane reported that all Park System Planning and Development Committee items are on the current agenda. Pat Lloyd reported that all Partnerships and Recreation Committee items are on the current agenda.

No unfinished business.

Under new business, Dave Fischer presented the Sherman Park Hall of Fame gifting agreement. The agreement is with the South Dakota Amateur Softball Association (SDASA) to build and operate the Hall of Fame building in Sherman Park. The City is providing the land. Construction will start this fall and will be completed by the summer of 2011. The building will be open during tournaments and by special request. The SDASA will be responsible for the cost of utilities and the maintenance of the inside and outside of the building. A motion was made to approve the gifting agreement. Motion was passed with Pay voting yes, Crane voting yes, Lloyd voting yes, and Abdallah voting yes.
Fischer presented the Falls Area Single Track (FAST) usage agreement. The agreement is to allow FAST to build, operate, and maintain a single track course in Leaders Park in accordance with the approved master plan. The agreement is for five years. There are sections in the agreement to address the concerns of the neighborhood that were brought up during the two public meetings that were held. The improvements must be preapproved by the Director of Parks and Recreation, and the final location of the trail will be reviewed with a neighborhood representative. The course will also be supervised by members of FAST during weekends and other heavy use times as agreed upon by FAST and Parks and Recreation staff. The hours of operation must be approved by the Director of Parks and Recreation and must be clearly posted by FAST. Special events will not be held unless approved by the Director. FAST will also be required to coordinate a neighborhood meeting yearly with Parks and Recreation staff present. Jim Weixel, neighborhood representative, recommended the initial hours of operation to be 9 a.m. to dusk. He also said the neighborhood would prefer to wait on any parking improvements to see if there are any issues. Weixel said there was a delivery of rocks in the park already and the truck left ruts in the park. He is concerned that the construction has started before the agreement was approved. Fischer stated that no construction has started, but the rock delivery was a misunderstanding. The rock to build the trail was donated, and FAST needed to take possession of it immediately or lose the donation. The department gave permission to FAST to store the rock, but it should not have been delivered on site. Weixel was concerned about staging areas for material during construction. The agreement requires FAST to hold a preconstruction meeting prior to construction, so those details will be worked out then. A motion was made to approve the usage agreement. Motion was passed with Pay voting yes, Crane voting yes, Lloyd voting yes, and Abdallah voting yes.

Under the Director's report, Kearney reported that the department is currently doing park site evaluations. The goal is to do half of the parks in the system this year, and finish up next year with the other half. Each park is visited to see if there are capital, operating, or programming needs. In addition to Parks and Recreation staff, there are also Risk Management, Police, and Engineering staff present during the evaluations to see if there are any needs to address in their specific areas of expertise. With Dale Weir’s passing earlier in the year, his house and property near Arrowhead Park have been officially transferred to Parks and Recreation. We have started to perform cleanup of the house, and it will be available for programming in the future.

Lorrae Lindquist has been recommended by Mayor Mike Huether to replace Michelle Erpenbach on the Parks and Recreation Board. This appointment is scheduled for the October 18, 2010, City Council meeting.

Youth Enrichment Services is working to start a Boys and Girls Club at the YES East Side Learning Center.

Alicia Luther handed out a packet that compared 2008 through 2010 pool attendance and went through the numbers with the Board.
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No reading of communications to the Board.

No open board discussion.

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously; meeting adjourned.

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Secretary
Vice President

Approved by:

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President