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A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SIOUX FALLS PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD was held on Tuesday, November 13, 2012, at 4 p.m. at the Oyate Community Center.

Members present: Kevin Nyberg, Sandra Pay, Michael Crane, Pat Lloyd, Patti Abdallah, Mark Millage, and Lorrae Lindquist.

Members absent: None.

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

Others present: Tom Jansa, Dakota Golf Management; Shannon Ausen, City Engineering; Jon Jacobson, Confluence; James Unruh, HDR Engineering; and Cheryl Rath.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the October 23, 2012, meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was passed.

No public input.

For committee reports, Mark Millage reported that all Marketing and Public Needs Committee items are on the current agenda. Sandra Pay 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, Don Kearney and Shannon Ausen presented the Russell Street reconstruction update and de minimis finding letter. Ausen gave an overview of the project, focusing on the effects the project would have on existing park facilities. The new roadway section will encroach on the north side of Elmwood Park with the backfill slopes needed to match existing grades. This will require the removal/replacement of the service road and parking area. In addition to replacing the service road, Public Works will also include some additional parking for a future disc golf course as part of the project. Parks and Recreation thought this would improve the existing conditions. Public Works will also be regrading the bike trail to make it ADA accessible and improve the drainage underneath the bridge, which will keep the trail clear of debris washing over it during heavy rains. The bike trail will also be detoured for the duration of the project. Public Works has paved this detour already. Public Works identified a
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short detour route for the project and agreed to pave it to mitigate the disruption. Parks and Recreation staff agreed that the effects to the park facilities were minimal and recommended concurrence with the de minimis finding. A motion was made to concur with the de minimis finding. Motion was passed with Nyberg voting yes, Pay voting yes, Crane voting yes, Lloyd voting yes, Abdallah voting yes, Millage voting yes, and Lindquist voting yes.

Kearney and Tom Jansa presented the Dakota Golf 2013 rates, budget, marketing plan, and Golf Improvement Fund. Dakota Golf is requesting to raise the season pass rates about 2 to 3 percent and raise the peak season rates $1 per nine holes. The fall/spring rates and the young adult season pass rates will remain the same. The budget for 2013 is generally the same as the approved budget for 2012. The golfing industry has been focused on keeping the 18- to 24-year-old golfers in the game recently. Dakota Golf lowered the rates on the young golfer season pass last year and sold 145 passes compared to 45 the year before. They want to continue that marketing campaign in 2013. They have also bolstered their marketing on the website, email marketing, and mobile applications. The changes in the Golf Improvement Fund program in 2012 are primarily dealing with the water supply issues created by the drought. Changes proposed in 2013 are primarily for landscaping and pathways around the new clubhouses at Prairie Green and Kuehn. The Golf Advisory Board has reviewed all the proposals and recommends approval. A motion was made to approve the 2013 rates, budget, marketing plan, and Golf Improvement Fund. Motion was passed with Nyberg voting yes, Pay voting yes, Crane voting yes, Lloyd voting yes, Abdallah voting yes, Millage voting yes, and Lindquist voting yes.

Kelby Mieres presented the gifting agreement for the Lions Centennial Park drinking fountain. The Sioux Falls Downtown Lions Club would like to install a drinking fountain in Lions Centennial Park. The waterline is currently in the park. The club would pay to install a meter pit and the proposed fountain. They would like to do it in spring 2013 as part of our drinking fountain replacement program. The drinking fountain meets all ADA requirements. A motion was made to approve the gifting agreement. Motion was passed with Nyberg voting yes, Pay voting yes, Crane voting yes, Lloyd voting yes, Abdallah voting yes, Millage voting yes, and Lindquist voting yes.

Kearney presented the 2013 Parks and Recreation Board meeting schedule. A motion was made to approve the schedule. Motion was passed with Nyberg voting yes, Pay voting yes, Crane voting yes, Lloyd voting yes, Abdallah voting yes, Millage voting yes, and Lindquist voting yes.
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Under the Director's report, Kearney said there will be a press conference regarding the Prairie Green clubhouse move to Kuehn Park at Callaway's restaurant on November 27 at 8:30 a.m. Winter Wonderland will start at 6 p.m. on November 16 at Falls Park. In celebration of the ten-year anniversary of Winter Wonderland, there will be a fireworks display to kick off the festivities. Kearney thanked staff and the Board for their hard work during the 2012 year working through all the issues and the severe drought.

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

Approved by:

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President