A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SIOUX FALLS PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD was held on Tuesday, October 22, 2013, at 2 p.m. at the Great Bear Chalet.

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

Members absent: Mark Millage.

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

Others present: Steve Sanford and Dan Gridler, Great Bear Recreation Park Inc.; Sue Salter, Ice Sports Association; Bill Townsend, Sioux Falls Tennis Association; Karen Leonard, City Attorney’s Office; Janelle Atyeo, Argus Leader; and Cheryl Rath.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2013 meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was passed.

No public input.

For committee reports, the Marketing and Public Needs Committee did not meet. 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, Dan Gridler presented the proposed Great Bear 2013/2014 admission rates. The rates stayed the same from last year, except for the weekend tubing rates. The weekend tubing was broken into sessions, with 9 a.m. to noon and 5 p.m. to close rate of $11, and noon to 5 p.m. rate of $15. This was done in response to long waiting lines during the peak hours. A motion was made to approve the 2013/2014 admissions rates. Motion was passed with Nyberg voting yes, Pay voting yes, Crane voting yes, Lloyd voting yes, Abdallah voting yes, and Lindquist voting yes.

Dave Fischer presented the Sioux Falls Ice Sports Association Indoor Facility agreement. The Ice Sports Association plans to construct an indoor ice facility consisting of three sheets of ice and associated improvements. The City of Sioux Falls will contribute $1.5 million towards equipment and other improvements at the facility. A representative list of those potential items with estimated costs is provided in exhibit D, with the cost to the City capped at $1.5 million. The equipment and items purchased with City funds will be owned by the City and maintained by the Ice Sports Association. In return, the City will get reserved ice time for open skate to ensure access by the general public. The Director of Parks & Recreation or his designee shall serve as a non-voting member on their board to act as a liaison. The agreement will remain intact for the life of the equipment owned by the City. The replacement of the City-owned equipment is not provided for in this agreement because the City cannot bind future City Councils to future financial commitments. The Ice Sports Association plans to start construction in fall 2013 and complete the project in fall 2014. The Parks and
Recreation Board requested an annual report of open skate usage from the Ice Sports Association for the duration of the agreement. A motion was made to approve the agreement pending the addition of the annual report requirement. Motion was passed with Nyberg voting yes, Pay voting yes, Crane voting yes, Lloyd voting yes, Abdallah voting yes, and Lindquist voting yes.

Fischer presented the Sioux Falls Tennis Association Indoor Facility agreement. The Sioux Falls Tennis Association plans to construct an indoor tennis facility consisting of seven courts and associated improvements. The City of Sioux Falls will contribute $500,000 towards equipment and other improvements at the facility. A representative list of those potential items with estimated costs is provided in exhibit D, with the cost to the City capped at $500,000. The equipment and items purchased with City funds will be owned by the City and maintained by the Sioux Falls Tennis Association. In return, the City will get reserved public court time to ensure access by the general public. The Director of Parks and Recreation or his designee shall serve as a non-voting member on their board to act as a liaison. The agreement will remain intact for the life of the equipment owned by the City. The replacement of the City-owned equipment is not provided for in this agreement because the City cannot bind future City Councils to future financial commitments. The Sioux Falls Tennis Association plans to start construction in spring 2014 and complete the project in fall 2014. The Parks and Recreation Board requested an annual report on the open public court time from the Sioux Falls Tennis Association for the duration of the agreement. A motion was made to approve the agreement pending the addition of the annual report requirement. Motion was passed with Nyberg voting yes, Pay voting yes, Crane voting yes, Lloyd voting yes, Abdallah voting yes, and Lindquist voting yes.

Kelby Mieras presented the policy on other power driven mobility devices. The policy was developed to address the revised ADA rules from the Department of Justice in March 2011. The policy applies only to recreational trails in the City park system. The trails were broken down into three separate classes. The devices are allowed on Class 1 and Class 2 trails, but there are size, speed and weight requirements due to safety concerns. The devices are not allowed on Class 3 trails, primarily due to trail width limitations. This policy will be included in our departmental policies and guidelines document. A motion was made to approve the policy. Motion was passed with Nyberg voting yes, Pay voting yes, Crane voting yes, Lloyd voting yes, Abdallah voting yes, and Lindquist voting yes.

Under the Director's report, Don Kearney said the Elmwood East 9 project is going well. The contractor hopes to have all rough grading, irrigation, and cart path work done prior to stopping for the year. The plans for phase 2 and 3 are being finalized and will bid at the end of November. The Great Bear Master Plan will be wrapped up soon and will be presented to the Parks and Recreation Board in the coming months. Staff will send out the proposed 2014 meeting schedule in the coming weeks. This will allow board members to have more time to review before being asked to approve it to minimize changes during the year.
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

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President

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