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A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SIOUX FALLS PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD was held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015, at 4 p.m. at the Oyate Community Center.

Roll Call and Determination of Quorum
Members present: Kevin Nyberg, Sandra Pay, Michael Crane, Pat Lloyd, Patti Abdallah, Lorrae Lindquist, and Mark Steinborn.

Members absent: None.

Parks and Recreation staff present: Don Kearney, Director of Parks and Recreation; Alicia Luther, Recreation Manager; Kelby Mieras, Operations Manager; and Mike Patten, Park Development Specialist.

Others present: Jon Jacobsen, Confluence; John Paulson, McKennan Park Neighborhood Association; Jan Wood, Crystal Ice; Sam Trebilcock, City of Sioux Falls; Steve Sanford, Great Bear Recreation Board; Michelle Erpenbach, City of Sioux Falls City Council.

Attendees were informed that a public information packet was provided at the back table.

Approval of Minutes (April 21, 2015 meeting)
A motion was made to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2015, regular meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was passed unanimously, with all present board members voting yes.

Public Input
No public input.

Report of Standing Committees
For committee reports, Nyberg reported that all Marketing and Public Needs Committee items are on the current agenda. Crane reported that all Park System Planning and Development Committee items are on the current agenda. Abdallah reported that all Partnerships and Recreation Committee items are on the current agenda and noted that they also received an update on indoor aquatics and the Harrisburg School park site.

Unfinished Business
No unfinished business.

New Business

a. McKennan Park Floral Nameplate Approval: John Paulson, Jon Jacobsen, and Kelby Mieras presented the proposed nameplate to the board. The proposed feature was designed with the history of the original nameplate in mind and will be located close to its original location. The McKennan Park Neighborhood Association recently received grants from the Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation and the City of Sioux Falls to help with costs and are actively seeking additional funding. Also, in order to maintain the nameplate, the neighborhood association is forming “Nameplate Care Teams” to aid the park’s master
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gardener in ongoing maintenance. A motion was made to approve the project. The motion was passed unanimously, with all present board members voting yes.

b. 2015 Bicycle Plan—Recommendation for Support: Sam Trebilcock presented an overview of the 2015 Bicycle Plan to the board. He focused on the plan’s priorities and highlighted the trails sections. Trebilcock noted the importance of collaboration within the various City departments and stated that communication with the Parks and Recreation department was extremely valuable in development of the plan. A motion to support the plan was made. The motion passed unanimously, with all present board members voting yes.

c. Pool Concessions Agreement: Alicia Luther presented a proposed amendment to the existing concessions agreement to include pool concessions. The original RFP didn’t generate any interest in providing pool concessions. Parks staff then pursued conversations with Jan Wood to include pool concessions in her contract. The proposed amendment will provide the City with 10 percent of gross sales. Laurel Oak, Terrace Park, and Drake Springs Aquatic Centers will be served by Crystal Ice Concessions. A motion to approve the amendment was made. The motion passed unanimously, with all present board members voting yes.

d. Veterans’ Memorial Park Logo: Mike Patten presented the board with a proposed logo to be used for marketing Veterans’ Memorial Park and the various projects and events within. The proposed logo was developed by the Veterans’ Memorial Park Advisory Board and was routed through City Multimedia Support for review. A motion to approve the logo was made. The motion passed unanimously, with all present board members voting yes.

e. Veterans’ Memorial Park Master Plan Update: Jon Jacobsen presented the board with a proposed modification of the existing Veterans’ Park Master Plan to incorporate a “Gate Guard” element in the northeast corner of the park. The Gate Guard will include a P-51 Mustang mounted in the center of an interpretive plaza. The project is to be completely funded by donations raised by the Veterans’ Memorial Park Advisory Board. Concerns were raised that the park is for all veterans and any development within the park should be sensitive to this. Jacobsen acknowledged the importance incorporating all military branches and wars into the features of the park and assured that from an interpretive point of view, the improvements will tell the story of all and how it relates to the military history of South Dakota. A motion was made to approve the update. The motion passed unanimously, with all present board members voting yes.

f. Complete Streets Design Standard: Patten presented the board an update on the Complete Streets project. The project includes a proposed resolution and project checklist to include “complete streets elements” into the design of City streets within the City of Sioux Falls. The concept is to create streets that are safe and accessible to all users and to encourage walking and cycling. The project is currently in the stage of presenting to the various groups and boards to gather input and secure support. A motion was made to support the plan. The motion passed unanimously, with all present board members voting yes.
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g. Board Member Recognition for Sandra Pay and Kevin Nyberg: Pat Lloyd presented Sandra Pay and Kevin Nyberg with plaques to recognize the ten years of service on the Parks and Recreation Board. Don Kearney addressed the group with appreciation for their service and acknowledgment of their many accomplishments over the past ten years. A short presentation followed to highlight some of the projects completed during their time on the board.

Report of Director of Parks and Recreation
Kearney informed the board that “Slide the City,” a special event requesting to come to Sioux Falls, has been pre-promoting an event without an approved application. The event proposed setting up a large water slide on Main Avenue in downtown. The application was denied based primarily on adjacent road closure during the Dakota Avenue construction project, as well as other conflicting special events. The group was encouraged to reapply in 2016.

Luther informed the group that the pools are still scheduled to open on Friday, May 22, 2015.

Kearney ended the meeting by thanking the board for their involvement in the park tour held earlier today.

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

Secretary

Approved By:

President