A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SIOUX FALLS PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD was held on Wednesday, July 17, 2019, at 4 p.m. at the Scheel’s Ice Plex.

Roll Call and Determination of Quorum
Members present: Lorrae Lindquist, Jim Stavenger, Ann Nachtigal, Mark Steinborn, Todd Sundleaf, Patti Abdallah, and Mike Begeman.

Members absent: none

Parks and Recreation staff present: Don Kearney, Director of Parks and Recreation; Jackie Nelson, Administrative Manager; Kelby Mieras, Park Operations Manager; Tory Miedema, Park Development Specialist; Mike Patten, Park Development Specialist; and Rita Meyer, Administrative Assistant.

Others present: Karen Leonard, City Attorney’s Office; Walter Portz and Allison Dvorak, Sioux Falls Skate Park Association; Zon Tran and Darwin Wolf, Greeno Striders.

Begeman made a motion to move Board Member Years of Service Recognition, items 6.c. and 6.d., to the end of the agenda. Motion was seconded by Sundleaf and passed unanimously with all present Board members voting yes.

Approval of Minutes (June 19, 2019)
A motion to approve the minutes was made by Steinborn and seconded by Begeman. Motion passed unanimously with all present Board members voting yes.

Public Input
No public input.

Report of Standing Committees
The Marketing and Public Needs Committee met and discussed all items on this agenda, as well as the Mayor’s proposal to move more funding to streets, Emerald Ash Borer, and proposals for more private funding for parks. The Park System Planning and Development Committee met and discussed all items on this agenda, as well as the Mayor’s proposal to move more funding to streets, Emerald Ash Borer, and proposals for more private funding for parks, including the possibility of initiating a roundup program. The Partnerships and Recreation Committee met and discussed all items on this agenda, as well as the Mayor’s proposal to move more funding to streets, Emerald Ash Borer, proposals for more private funding for parks, and the Elmwood Clubhouse update.

Unfinished Business
No unfinished business.
Under New Business

Nelson Park Master Plan: Patten and Walter Portz shared details of the proposed master plan for Nelson Park, including the proposed skate plaza to be incorporated into the updated master plan for the park. Patten shared park development details, which include moving the skate park from the existing location on the south end of the park to the proposed site on the northeast side of the park. Portz shared details of the Sioux Falls Skate Park Association's vision for creating the skate plaza in this location. Patten reviewed the next steps involved with future park development, including the SFSPA's intention to apply for a community appeals fundraising spot. A motion to approve the updates to the Nelson Park Master Plan was made by Stavenger and seconded by Abdallah. Motion passed unanimously with all present Board members voting yes.

Rich Greeno Sculpture Placements "Coach": Patten shared details of the Greeno Striders group creating a sculpture to honor long-time track coach Rich Greeno. The proposed location for the sculpture placement along the recreation trail is significant for all who trained under Coach Greeno. A motion to recommend approval of the sculpture placement was made by Begeman and seconded by Abdallah. Motion passed with Lindquist, Stavenger, Nachtigal, Sundleaf, Abdallah, and Begeman all voting yes; and Steinborn abstaining from the vote.

Report of Director of Parks and Recreation

Kearney shared that Dakota Dermatology has donated sunscreen dispensers to all pools and aquatic centers, as well as Elmwood and Prairie Green Golf Courses. Kearney also shared this year is the 39th consecutive year that Sioux Falls has been designated as a Tree City USA.

Miedema shared updates on the playground replacement program, which began in June. McKennan Park playground is now open, Morningside playground should be open next week, and followed closely by Terrace Park playground. Sertoma is the last playground to be replaced this year and is in process.

Mieras shared that our street tree inventory began in June, and 17,000 street trees have been inventoried to date, with completion of the project expected by Labor Day. Stump removal began immediately after Memorial Day and is on track to be completed by Labor Day.
Patten shared that the Falls Park Viewing Platforms are approximately 95 percent complete, with railing sections and some sod placement completion expected by the end of this week. Patten also shared details of the replacement of the Buffalo Wall at Sherman Park. Work is being done to create a concrete structural wall with stone artwork to be placed over the structural wall.

Kearney shared that the consultants for the Comprehensive Plan will bring us their preliminary recommendations at the end of August, which will then be brought to the Board for approval prior to being presented to the City Council.

**Board Member Recognition for Patti Abdallah and Mark Steinborn:**
Kearney presented Patti Abdallah and Mark Steinborn with plaques to recognize the ten years and five years, respectively, of service on the Parks and Recreation Board. Kearney addressed the group with appreciation for their service and acknowledgment of their many accomplishments during their time on the Board. A short presentation followed to highlight some of the projects completed during their time on the Board.

**Items Added After the Agenda Deadline**
None.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Nachtigal. Meeting adjourned.

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Secretary

Approved by:

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President