



The MISSION of the City of Yankton is to provide exemplary experiences, services & spaces that create opportunities for everyone to learn, engage, and thrive.

AGENDA
YANKTON PARK ADVISORY BOARD
Monday, July 17, 2023, 5:30 PM, in the Community Room
CMTEA Building, 1200 W. 21st Street

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

- A. Roll Call. Jason Tellus is board President. The board will need to reorganize and elect a new President for the upcoming year.
- B. Consideration of May 15, 2023, minutes. (attachment)

Public Appearances. Public appearance is a time for persons to address The Board on items not listed on the agenda.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- A. 2023 Capital projects update.

Three new sets of bleachers have been erected and replace three sets of old bleachers at Riverside Baseball Stadium. There is a new drinking fountain with water bottle filler at the stadium also.

New play equipment has been installed in Westside Park along with the fall material surfacing Sidewalks connecting the two play areas to the other sidewalks in the park were also installed. The City has received the \$90,000 LWCF Grant money for this project.

The Yankton Territorial Museum moved the caboose and the old blacksmith building will be moved in the coming months. The areas that have been cleaned up have been seeded in with grass.

The Westside improvements project has some items completed and others ongoing. The meditative garden, sundial, and labyrinth project have been completed. The majority of the work on adding additional clay liner to the pond has been completed but the height of the clay liner around the island was not verified by Stockwell Engineers prior to the water being added to fill the pond. After checking the elevations on July 5, the clay liner around the island is not at the correct elevation in relationship to the outfall. More work will be done to correct this issue and raise the elevation of the clay liner around the island wall. The water level is being monitored daily to determine if more work needs to be done to address leaking.

The Marne Creek trail project to repair flood damage from 2019 and to replace sections of the trail that were damaged in 2019, through FEMA, is on-going.

- B. There is a Special Events Task Force that has been meeting and working through the handbook and application the City currently utilizes. The documents have been updated as well as some of the fees adjusted for the 2024 season.

III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2024 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) proposed budget presentation (attachment) – City Manager Amy Leon.
- B. The Huether Family Aquatics Center data and update.

May-June attendance data comparisons for 2021, 2022, and 2023 (attachment).

Library passes and utility customer passes data (attachment). 461 admissions. At \$11 per admission= \$5,071 in value.

There are a couple of operational changes that have been implemented for the summer of 2023. An evening day pass rate starting at 5:00pm that is \$6 versus the all-day pass rate of \$11. This is an effort to help with the feedback we have heard about the facility not being affordable for all in the community. Evenings are typically less attended than other hours in the day so this is a marketing effort to try and increase evening attendance as well. Also, on Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday evenings, after the last scheduled break at 5:50 – 6:00pm, the lazy river is being utilized for water walking for adults and youth. We had a lot of requests to have water walking in the evenings over the past two summers.

The facility has been hosting “family nights” on Wednesday evenings and also hosted one “teen night” also.

- C. A citizen task force for the Summit Activities Center operations brought some recommendations to the City Commission and the plan for the SAC operations is attached (attachment). An SAC mission statement was created: Provide everyone with an affordable, indoor, family-friendly fitness and recreation facility.

Reminder, the SAC facility data can be found in the Commission Information Memorandums (CIM) that are presented to the City Commission, every two weeks, as a part of their Commission Meeting packet and they are also a part of the PAB agenda packets.

- D. A citizens committee is being formed to help plan for the Meridian Bridge’s 100th birthday in 2024. It will have its first meeting July 18, 2023. The official birthday would occur in October of 2024.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. General discussion items.
 - Commission Information Memorandums. (2 CIM attachments for previous month)
 - Other completed work projects for the department are noted in the CIMs.
 - Next Meeting Monday, September 18, 2023.

V. ADJOURN

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