

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, January 7, 2019 – Community Room CMTEA Building, 1200 W. 21st Street – 5:30 PM

### I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

- A. Roll Call.
- B. Consideration of December 3, 2018 Minutes. (attachment)
- C. Public Appearances. Public appearance is a time for persons to address the Board on items not listed on the agenda.

# II. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Update for Dive-in-Yankton effort.
  - 1. The City Commission will be asked to approve a contract with Stockwell Engineers to design the aquatics facility. It will go to the City Commission on the January 14 meeting.
  - 2. The outdoor pool will be open for the entire outdoor swim season in 2019. Closing date would be Friday, August 16.

## III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Mitigation Plan for the City of Yankton can be found at this webpage: <a href="http://www.cityofyankton.org/home/showdocument?id=5169">http://www.cityofyankton.org/home/showdocument?id=5169</a>

A new funding program to encourage City residents to plant trees in street right-of-ways/boulevards is being introduced in 2019. The form for applying for reimbursement funds to plant trees in public right-of-ways can be found at this webpage: <a href="http://www.cityofyankton.org/home/showdocument?id=6609">http://www.cityofyankton.org/home/showdocument?id=6609</a>

- B. 2019 Parks Department Capital Improvement Plan. (attachment)
  - 1. Sports Facilities Improvement Plan from the 2014 Stockwell Report. (attachment)
- C. Parks planning philosophies to consider for 2019 and beyond:

**Evaluation of Parks and Fees** 

- Special Events, SAC, Memorial Pool, Cemetery, Parks, Shelter Houses, Trail, Fox Run Golf Course
- Fees for outdoor field use?
  - o Investment in quality of life for community, investment in citizens who live here
  - Effect on quality of life offerings
- How do we capture visitor's dollars? BBB, sales tax, BID
- Investing in community so there are positive public relations (PR) efforts, benefit to everybody's well-being, nice facilities to host events.

- Sustainability
  - On-going maintenance
  - Updating infrastructure and amenities
  - New purchases
  - Use of volunteers
  - Sponsorships
  - Limiting expenses
- Increasing revenues
  - o Philosophical- do we keep things affordable or do we charge higher, reasonable rates?
  - Need facility and staff to do new programs
  - Need to raise rates at current facilities that do charge
  - Charging fees at events
    - Entrance fees
- Parks and Recreation Duplication of services within own department, with private sector
  - Maximize usage before building new
  - Change facilities if very low usage as currently programmed
    - Natural turf to artificial turf
    - Tennis to pickle ball
    - Create low maintenance areas
  - Connect all amenities to the trail system
- 30 year replacement plan for play structures throughout park system
- Benches need back rest and arm rests to meet ADA standards
- D. There has been a request to consider tennis courts at Fox Run Park.
- E. The City (Todd, Amy, and Dave Mingo) met with representatives from the Soccer Association a second time regarding the 40/30 Foundation land and utilizing both 40/30 land and City land along Highway 81 north and Highway 50 west to plan a permanent home for soccer. These discussions are very preliminary and will involve the City Commission as ideas are proposed.
- F. General Discussion.

### IV. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Commission Information Memorandums. (1 CIM attachment)
  - Other completed work projects for the department are noted in the CIMs.
- B. Next Meeting Monday, February 4, 2019.

# V. ADJOURN

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