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MINUTES
YANKTON PARK ADVISORY BOARD
Tuesday, September 3, 2019
CMTEA Building, Community Room, 1200 W. 21st Street – 5:30 PM

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

Roll Call:

Present: Bryan Schoenfelder, Katelyn Schramm, Darcie Briggs, Dave Spencer, Elizabeth Healy, and Jason Tellus.

Absent: Dave Spencer and Commissioner Stephanie Moser.

Also present Director of Parks and Recreation Todd Larson, and Parks Secretary Chasity McHenry.

High School Appearances: None.

Public Appearances: None.

Minutes: August 5, 2019 minutes approved. Healy motioned. Tellus second. Motion passes 5-0.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Riverside Park Christmas Lighting and Decorating program. Update on "Light Up Yankton" committee plan for 2019. The group is having a hard time finding a person or organization to be the lead on this community project.

III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Parks improvement update for 2019.
 - a. Renovation to restroom and concession stand building at Riverside Baseball Stadium so it can be heated for fall and spring use prior to when other facilities have water turned on. Work to start after September 3.
 - b. Bocce Ball Court – donation for two courts. Located north of horse shoe pits in Fantle Memorial Park. Work to begin after September 3. Location is not in an area of the park that has had standing water the past two years, so it should not be affected by the standing water in the park. Also, the pool project is expected to help with standing water on the west side of the park. If there continues to be an issue with standing water on the south side of the park by the large wood shelter, then there may need to be a drainage project completed in that area to make sure the water is getting to the storm water inlet that is in that area of the park.



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B. Future of Parks Advisory Board discussion.

As we move forward this year, we would like to have discussions and thoughts put in to some different ideas to see what the PAB should be in the future:

Board members should recruit future members and provide these names to the City so they may be asked to serve on the board.

- How do we make sure we are getting a good mix of gender, ages, and leisure interests for those who serve on the board?
- The Board should review the by-laws and suggest updates/changes.
- Discussions can include meeting days and times? Should there be meetings once-a-month, should the meetings be every other month, or quarterly? What time would work best for meetings to allow board members and the general public to attend? What day of the week would be best?
Moving the time of the day probably doesn't help the general public attend and participate in these meetings. Some discussion was about if the meeting needs to be monthly or not. Most board members feel comfortable calling, emailing, or talking to Todd at public events if there is some concern or idea that has been brought to them by the general public.
Some of the discussion was in regards to outside sports facilities improvements, how to keep the sports organizations involved and providing input and also trying to get them to work towards the goals with the idea that there are limited manpower, finances, and property.

How does the Parks Board engage the public to get more input on specific park topics that we will discuss at meetings or when we are planning projects for the future?

There may be other thoughts you have about the board and how to better serve the public. Please bring these forward so we can have the discussion.

C. General Discussion.

- Disc golf will have a couple of holes that will need to be modified when the new pool is built. The plan is to keep the course at 18 holes.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Commission information Memorandums (2 CIM attachments).

B. Next Meeting: Monday, October 7, 2019.

V. ADJOURN

Briggs motioned, Healy second. Motion carried 5-0.