

MINUTES
Yankton Park Advisory Board
May 4, 2015
Technical Education Center, 1200 West 21st Street

The meeting of the Park Advisory Board (PAB) was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

I. Routine Business

A. Roll Call

1. Present: Lola Harens, Craig Sommer, Darcie Briggs, Dave Spencer, Bryan Schoenfelder, Tom Nelson, Carson Schott
2. Absent:
3. Also present: Todd Larson, Director of Parks and Recreation, Chasity McHenry, Department Secretary

B. Consideration of April 4, 2015 Minutes

1. Harens motioned to approve minutes, Briggs seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

C. Public Appearances – None

II. Old Business

A. None

III. New Business

- A. Yankton Baseball Association- Request for funding light improvements at Riverside Baseball Field at Bob Tereshinski Stadium for budget year 2016. The Commission did not place the funding in for 2016. Todd put it in the budget for 2017 and this will need to be approved during the next round of City Commission budgeting meetings.
- B. Summer Recreation- Registration is underway. The Department has received positive comments from the Yankton School District for some of the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) programs that are being offered.
- C. Parks Department- Involved with the planning and work details for both the June 6 Ribfest event in Fantle Memorial Park and the week long World Archery Youth Championships June 7 through June 14. The City of Yankton and Yankton Convention and Visitor's Bureau are hosting the closing party on Sunday, June 14 with a country fair theme. City Commissioners and City Employees will be utilized to work this event.
- D. Update on softball and baseball field work at Sertoma Park- The two north baseball fields had agri-lime added to the infields. The NE field and the SW field in the four-plex had agri-lime added to the infield areas to increase the slope for drainage. Also, on the NE field, new fencing around the infield area from dugout to dugout was installed. Drain tile was installed outside the infield fence on this field to help with excess water drainage.
- E. Update on the fountain at Westside Park- During the winter months, the pump motor for the fountain in Westside Park was rebuilt by the company. It was under warranty still. The water pattern that was purchased with the fountain originally, did not flow enough gallons per minute to keep the motor cool enough considering the screen that was around the intake to keep the pond growth out of the motor. The parks staff have placed the fountain in Westside Park pond for 2015. It is a different spray pattern this year as a new one was purchased during the winter which will now help with the end-of-summer pond growth plugging-up needed to help material out of the motor due to the water pattern and the velocity with which it moves water through the pump.

- F. General Discussion- Utilize Game, Fish, and Parks Department to help control the duck and goose population at Westside Park. Work with the Convention and Visitor's Bureau to come up with a marketing plan for the Meridian Bridge. Track scholarship numbers each year so the department has a better understanding of who is utilizing the scholarships, what classes are being utilized by scholarships, and also monitor swimming lesson class scholarships.

IV. Other Business

- A. Commission Information Memorandums. Enclosed were the prior months CIM's to assist the PAB members on Department activities. (2 attachments)

- B. Next Meeting: Monday, June 1, 2015

V. Adjourn

- A. Briggs motioned and Schott seconded. Motion carried 7-0.