

January 13, 2010 Playground and Recreation Board minutes

Recreation Board Members Present: Steve Kuhn, Lori Cook, Andree Marie Koban, Eldon Leemhuis, Maribeth Manigold, Phil McNally, Tess Burke, (Mark Astle, Director of Recreation)

Others attending the meeting: Tami Huftel, Commissioner Eichelkraut

Recreation Board Members Absent: Rick Leese, Marie McLaughlin

Guests: None

1. Maribeth moved to approve December minutes, Phil second. Motion passed.
2. Phil moved to accept December financial report. Tess second. Roll Call: All AYES. Motion passed.
3. Commissioner's report – none
4. Director's Report
 - a. Parents' Night out had attendance of 20 children at average cost of \$30 per child. Mark will debrief with the Recreation Special Events agents to lower the cost per child at this event.
 - b. Winter Recreation has two dance events scheduled at Bader Gym. January 23 and Feb. 13.
 - c. The men's basketball league this year has fourteen teams and has begun smoothly.
5. Old Business
 - a. The board examined the list of board members absent during 2010.
 - b. The board gave input on Mark's draft of a report on the board's significant actions and accomplishments of 2010.
6. Long Range Planning
 - a. Bike Paths: The bike path planning is done and will be taken to the bike path committee.
 - b. Long-range Plan: The updated Parks and Recreation Long-range plan has been approved. The board will examine the plan quarterly.
 - c. Future Parks:
 - i. Steve reported that the Gaul property now belongs to the city. The board asked Commissioner Eichelkraut to direct Bob Shull to look into getting black dirt to cover the Gaul property and prepare it for grass seeding in the spring.
 - ii. Commissioner Eichelkraut announced that there is a tentative deal to purchase the Advanced Asphalt property. The board requested that they have input into the park design.
 - d. Eldon reviewed the subdivision park ordinance. The board suggested revisions.
7. Committee Reports

- a. By-Laws: Maribeth proposed changes to the term limits language. After discussion, the board decided that the board will have the first reading of the revisions in February and a final reading and vote will be held in March.
 - b. Financial: none. Final approval of the budget will be at the February meeting.
 - c. Parks
 - i. Eldon recommended that consideration of Varland Park improvements be put on hold due to budget constraints.
 - ii. The board asked Tami to look into the possibility of acquiring land for sidewalks at Varland.
 - iii. Lions wants to set up a recycling center for youth at Walsh Park.
 - d. Programs
 - i. Phil reported on pending 2011 projects.
 - ii. Commissioner Eichelkraut reported on the use of the outdoor ice rinks.
 - e. Pool: Eldon moved to accept the pool financial report. Maribeth second.
Roll Call: all Ayes. Motion passed.
8. Meeting adjourned.