

March 14, 2013 Playground and Recreation Board minutes

Recreation Board Members Present: Phil McNally, Eldon Leemhuis, Rick Leese, Tess Burke, Steve Kuhn, Marie McLaughlin, James Less (Mark Astle, Director of Recreation, Anne Johnson, Riordan Pool Manager)

Others attending the meeting: Bob Shull, Tami Huftel, Commissioner Aussem

Recreation Board Members Absent: Maribeth Manigold

1. Steve motioned to approve the February minutes. Eldon second. Motion passed.
2. Steve moved to accept February Recreation financial report. Eldon second. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.
3. Steve motioned to accept the February pool financial report. Eldon second. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.
4. Pool Manager's report -- Anne reported that she had placed her help wanted ad in the paper and was collecting applications.
5. Commissioner's report:
 - a. Commissioner Aussem suggested that the city could help the board complete Hollywood Park more quickly.
 - b. The board discussed the importance of finishing projects already started.
 - c. The board discussed progress of projects at Lincoln-Douglas, Varland, and Hollywood Parks.
6. Director's Report
 - i. Mark reported that the adult basketball league would finish its tournament by the end of March.
 - ii. Mark reported he had begun preliminary meetings for adult softball. Roster registration forms would be distributed around the first of April.
 - iii. Mark reported that he had filled the office manager position and was collecting applications for summer park supervisors.
 - iv. Mark reported that he was beginning to schedule summer camps.
7. Old Business --none.
8. Long-Range Planning and Board goals
 - a. Lincoln-Douglas Complex -- See Future Parks
 - b. Bike Paths -- None
 - c. Future Parks
 - i. Tami discussed the possibility of applying for an Oslad grant for Lincoln-Douglas.
 - ii. The board discussed the potential playground at Lincoln-Douglas for disabled children.
 - iii. The board discussed borrowing money from the city to finish the construction projects at Lincoln-Douglas and Hollywood Park.
 - iv. The board examined Hollywood Park cost estimates.

- v. James made a motion that the Rec board pursue the loan from city council for the purpose of completing Lincoln-Douglas Complex and Hollywood Park. Tess second. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.
- d. Long-Range Planning – See Future Parks.

9. Committee Reports

- a. By-laws – Maribeth. James moved to adopt by-law changes as presented at the February meeting. Steve Second. Motion passed.
- b. Finance – The board discussed payback terms of the proposed loan from the city.
- c. Parks – Eldon noted that the Park Inspection Report had been sent to board members.
- d. Programs
 - i. Phil reported on having the locks changed at facilities throughout the city.
 - ii. Eldon moved to have approve \$1100 for changing the locks. James second. Motion passed.
- e. Pool -- – Tess will bring recommendations for pool admission rates to the next meeting.

10. New Business

- a. Steve reported on information he had learned from Bridges Senior Citizen Center regarding the recreation program.
- b. Steve moved to donate \$3000 to Bridges to continue the recreation programs. Tess second. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.
- c. Steve presented a bill from AARP Senior Citizens group. Steve motioned to pay the bill. Rick second. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion passed.

11. Meeting adjourned.