

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Veterans' Memorial Park Advisory Board Special Meeting**  
**Friday, March 5, 2010, 7:30 a.m.**  
**Parks and Recreation Office**

**Members Present:** Ron Mielke, Dwight Hahn, and Lawrence Ritz.

**Members Absent:** Dave Nordlund and Rich Crawford.

**Parks and Recreation Staff Present:** Don Kearney and Tory Miedema.

**Others Present:** Alan Wieskamp, TSP.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2010 meeting. The motion was seconded. Motion carried.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Interpretive Center:** Alan Wieskamp of TSP will invite Bill Hoskins of the Siouxland Heritage Museum to the next meeting. They believe he will be a good resource to determine the size and layout of the building and displays. He will also help with how to operate the center and displays.

Bill has recommended that the Board start compiling the stories behind the artifacts. These stories are somewhat lost when the person behind them passes away. There was some discussion about setting up a website for people to submit their stories and pictures of their artifacts.

The Board and staff asked Alan to do some research on centers like this one to get advice. A few locations were given for a starting point. The research would entail operating costs, who pays to run the facility, size, displays, etc.

Alan will work with Geotek to get a proposal for geotechnical testing on the selected site. Some additional surveying will also be needed. Don proposed using the drainage channel as a water feature in front of the building. Alan mentioned they have been looking into that possibility and should have some concepts.

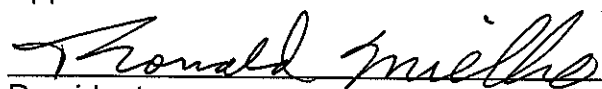
**No new business.**

**No public input.**

With no further business before the Board, a motion was made to adjourn. The motion was seconded. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be a Special Meeting on **March 17, 2010, at 7:30 a.m.** at the Parks and Recreation Department Office located at 100 East Sixth Street.

Approved:

  
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President