

Meeting Minutes
Veterans' Memorial Park Advisory Board Meeting
Friday, October 8, 2010, 7:30 a.m.
Parks and Recreation Office

Members Present: Dwight Hahn, Bob Jamison, Dave Nordlund, and Lawrence Ritz.

Members absent: Ron Mielke.

Parks and Recreation staff present: Don Kearney, Director.

Others present: Rich Crawford, former Veterans' Memorial Park Advisory Board member; and Rick Tupper, Honor Flight South Dakota.

Approval of minutes: A motion was made to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2010, meeting. The motion was seconded. Motion carried.

Unfinished business:

Harriet Kelley donation status: Don Kearney mentioned that he has met with Harriet Kelley and she has agreed to fund the *Never Came Home Monument*. He thanked the committee for approving the slight changes to the plaque Harriet had requested via email. The plaque should be mounted later this fall.

New business:

Honor Flight recognition: Rich Crawford and Rick Tupper were present to discuss their desire to see the events of Honor Flight permanently recorded. Larry Ritz suggested that a documentary of Honor Flight be placed in the proposed interpretive center. Tupper mentioned that KELO-TV has significant footage that would work for that purpose. Crawford also suggested a plaque be placed in the park acknowledging Honor Flight. After further discussion the board requested that an Honor Flight representative come back with some recommendations for wording to be placed on a permanent marker to recognize Honor Flight in the park and a TV-quality video documentary for the interpretive center.

Interpretive Center schedule: Kearney mentioned that he would produce a time line for the board to consider as they look to time their fund-raising efforts with the Chamber Community Appeals process.

Fund-raising report: The Veterans' Memorial Park Fund donations through September 30, 2010, total \$714,676, with an unspent balance of \$156,115.44.

Public input: Dwight Hahn shared pictures of a paver directory that North Platte, Nebraska, uses. Kearney said he would check into it and come up with some recommendations regarding a directory for our park. There was also discussion about the newspaper article regarding the Daughters of the American Revolution historic marker to be placed in Veterans' Memorial Park. Kearney said he would check on its status.

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

The next meeting will be on **December 10, 2010, at 7:30 a.m.** at the Parks and Recreation Office, 100 East Sixth Street.

Approved:


President