

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SIOUX FALLS VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARK ADVISORY BOARD** was held on Friday, June 21, 2013, at 7:30 a.m., at the Parks and Recreation Administration Office.

**Members present:** Bob Jamison, Rick Tupper, Gene Tornow, Nathan Christopherson, and Dick Birath.

**Members absent:** None.

**Parks and Recreation staff present:** Don Kearney, Director of Parks and Recreation, and Tory Miedema, Park Development Specialist.

**Others present:** None.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2013, meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

**Unfinished business:**

**Paver Kiosk Project Update:** The kiosk was installed in time for the Flag Day event, but the programming was not completed. There are still punch list items to be completed before the project can be closed. Miedema provided a packet of information showing different programming options for the Board to consider. The directory decal is a laser sticker that can be easily replaced if desired or when worn out. We can also include announcements, paver advertisements, or other messages in the screen saver if desired. A motion was made to approve the directory images, decal option A, and the screen saver images in the provided packet. The motion was seconded and carried.

**Paver Replacement Project Wrap-up:** The final side of the old paver garden was replaced with the new limestone pavers on May 17.

**New business:**

**Placement of Prohibited Conduct Signs at Veterans' Memorial Park:** There has been some vandalism and prohibited conduct at the park in recent weeks. It has ranged from kids climbing on statues, riding bikes through the landscaping, damaging trees and lights, and beating the turf down. The police and staff would like to put up signs prohibiting some of the conduct. The police cannot enforce some of the conduct unless there are signs present. The Board would like staff and the police to talk to the neighborhood about the issues to make sure they understand the rules and purpose for the park. The Board is open to putting up signs if the issues continue. Staff will talk to the neighborhood and will also work with the police to develop a sign draft for consideration.

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**Placement of Additional Benches in New Kiosk Area:** A request has been made to donate a bench and locate it in the new kiosk area. The Board had previously restricted any additional bench donations to limit the number within the park. The Board thought the kiosk area was a good location for two new benches. They would like to purchase the benches as part of the kiosk project and use them to recognize potential sponsors of the larger paver replacement project. A motion was made to purchase two benches and recognize the potential paver replacement project sponsors on them. The motion was seconded and carried.

**Fund-raising Report:** The total raised to date is \$755,301 with an unspent balance of \$83,025.

**Public input:** Kearney informed the Board that the Singing Legionnaires' proposal was passed by the Parks and Recreation Board. He encouraged the Veterans' Memorial Park Advisory Board to attend the Mayor's Fourth of July parade and the Tour Sioux Falls event on June 29.

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

The next meeting is scheduled for **Friday, August 16, 2013, at 7:30 a.m.** at the Parks and Recreation Office, 100 East Sixth Street.

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President