

February 21, 2014

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SIOUX FALLS VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARK ADVISORY BOARD was held on Friday, February 21, 2014, 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; Tory Miedema, Park Development Specialist; and Susie Garry, Recreation Program Coordinator.

Others present: None.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2013, meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

A public information packet was provided and all attendees were notified of its availability.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Flag Day 2014 Event—Susie Garry provided a draft agenda for the Flag Day event. Rick Tupper will be the master of ceremonies. The Board asked if Garry could contact the Lincoln High School ROTC unit to present the colors. She has scheduled the Sioux Falls Municipal Band to play at the event. The agenda will be finalized at the next meeting.

Paver Kiosk Dedication—The paver kiosk was dedicated at last year's Flag Day event, so it will not be part of this year's program. There has not been a donor identified for the paver kiosk project, so the Board will work to find one. Staff will work on getting an exhibit for the Board to show potential donors. The department's marketing staff will also look into potential marketing opportunities utilizing the paver kiosk.

Fund-Raising Report—The total raised to date is \$764,181 with an unspent balance of \$38,876.

Election of Officers—The Board nominated Rick Tupper for president and Gene Tornow for vice president. A motion was made to approve the nominations. The motion was seconded and carried.

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Other Board Discussion:

Park Directional Signage—Don Kearney said he has heard some complaints about not being able to find Veterans' Park. The department did install numerous wayfinding signs in past years, but asked the Board if they had any ideas. Staff will work with Public Works to see if a sign can be put up as part of the Russell Street reconstruction project. We will also talk to the City Traffic Engineer to see if a sign can be put up on the interstate.

Interpretive Center—The Board discussed the status of the proposed Interpretive Center and would like to revisit the topic at the next meeting.


Aerator Budget Request—Department staff have made a budget request for 2015 to replace the aerator pumps. The request included finding a pump with a shorter intake shaft so it doesn't pull up muck during dry times. Staff will also check with Public Works to see if the ponds can get on the dredging schedule.

Public input: None.

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, April 18, 2014, at 7:30 a.m.** at the Parks and Recreation Office, 100 East Sixth Street.

Approved:



President