

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SIOUX FALLS VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARK ADVISORY BOARD was held on Friday, January 30, 2015, at 8 a.m., at the Park and Recreation Office.

Members present: Bob Jamison, Rick Tupper, Gene Tornow, and Brian Vognild.

Members absent: None.

Parks and Recreation staff present: Don Kearney, Director of Parks and Recreation; Tory Miedema, Park Development Specialist; Mike Patten, Park Development Specialist; and Suzanne Garry, Recreation Program Coordinator.

Others present: None.

Public Input: None.

Unfinished business:

Entrance Focal Point: Rick Tupper presented information about the possible P-51 Mustang Fighter entrance feature. The P-51 Mustang Fighter entrance feature is a top priority project for the Board in 2015. Mr. Tupper presented a preliminary concept for incorporating the P-51 Mustang Fighter into the park.

Conversation about the project followed. Questions and comments about the project included: color options for the plane, location of the structure, mounting options, professional services required for the project, other design criteria and elements, short- and long-term maintenance requirements, fund-raising options, and potential donors. It was ultimately decided that if the project is going to move forward, the Board will need to develop a preliminary concept for adding the P-51 Mustang Fighter to the park and seeking approval from the Parks and Recreation Board. If a decision to move forward is made, a marketing brochure for use in fund-raising operations should be developed.

Rick indicated that he was going to contact another company from North Dakota that offers a similar product as well as continuing to nail down specifics about the project. Mike Patten is going to contact Confluence about working on a concept plan.

New business: None

Items added after the agenda deadline:

Flag Day and 70th Anniversary of the End of WWII: The 2015 Flag Day Event is being planned with a focus on the 70th anniversary of WWII and the 40th anniversary of the Vietnam War. A preliminary agenda for the event was provided for review and comment. The service is proposed to start at 10 a.m. and last approximately 1 to 1.5 hours in length. Potential programming for the event included: Honor Flight Reunion, Presentation of Colors, VIP Invites (Elected Officials), Opening Remarks, Keynote Speaker, 40's Style Band, WWII Camp Display, Closing Remarks, Retiring of Colors, various displays, Rolling Thunder M/C Group, parking, and refreshments. Further refinement of the program will be needed, and discussion on the program will take place at the February meeting.

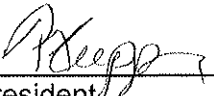
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Open Board discussion: None.

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, February 20, 2015, at 7:30 a.m.** at the Park and Recreation Office, 100 East Sixth Street.

Approved:



President