

February 19, 2016

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SIOUX FALLS VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARK ADVISORY BOARD was held on Friday, February 19, 2016, at 7:30 a.m., at the Parks and Recreation Office.

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

Members absent: None

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

Others present: None.

Approval of Minutes (December 18, 2015, meeting)

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2015, meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was passed unanimously, with all present Board members voting yes.

Public Input: None.

Unfinished Business:

Entrance Focal Point: The group continued discussions on the potential Gate Guard project. Rick Tupper began by discussing the timing and costs involved with manufacturing the airplane. He then presented preliminary cost estimates, generated by Henry Carlson Company, for construction of the plaza area. Mike Patten presented a potential timeline for completing the project to the Board. The Board then shifted the discussion to exploring the possibility of forming a nonprofit organization to serve as the fundraising arm, and how that could potentially change future direction of the Board. The Board ended discussion on the Gate Guard project by determining the next step as identifying how much of the project could be completed as "in-kind donations," and how much actual funding will need to be raised. In the coming months, Tupper is going to meet with Henry Carlson and Confluence to further explore this.

Kiosk Discussion: Based on the Board's decision to further explore the "Advanced Kiosks—Enviro Outdoor Kiosk" for replacement of the nonfunctioning paver kiosk, Patten presented further product information and manufacturer supplied costs for materials and shipping. After the Board discussed timing and costs, a motion was made to approve purchasing and installing the new kiosk at an approximate cost of \$13,000 using funding from the Veterans' Park account. The motion was approved with all Board members voting yes.

2016 Flag Day Celebration: Susie Garry presented the Board with a potential agenda for the 2016 Flag Day celebration. The Board discussed timing as well as potential focuses for the event. The Board decided to hold the event in the evening with a start time of 7 p.m. The Board also discussed the possibility of having the event focus on the 70th anniversary of the SD Air National Guard. Garry is going to further explore this possibility.

New Business:

Financial Report and Donation Recap: Patten provided the Board with the latest paver update and a review of the financials. It also was discussed that we need to start planning for another paver area expansion based on available pavers to be sold. A motion was made to approve the financial report, with all Board members voting yes.

Items Added After the Agenda Deadline:


Financial Donation: Dick Birath presented the Board with a check for \$5,000.00 to be used at the direction of the Board. The Board discussed accepting the funds as the first donation toward the Gate Guard project. A motion was made to accept the donation, with all members voting yes.

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, April 15, 2016, at 7:30 a.m.** at the Parks and Recreation Office, 100 East Sixth Street.

Approved:



President