

Wednesday, January 13th, 2016 City Hall/ 2nd Floor 5:15 p.m.

Minutes:

I. Call to Order by Kerry DeMars at 5:15pm

A. Board Members Present: Kerry DeMars, Brad Burianek, Scott Hills, Todd Storey, Cory Burns

B. Staff Present: Bill Dahl, Kristy Jelinek, Mike Steinfeldt

C. Staff Absent: Dean Feltman

D.

E. Media Present: Todd Kjelland

F. Others Present: Lilly Lysengen, Rock Tweten, Chris Molde, Jerry Lysengen, Michelle Such

- II. Kerry asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. Kerry wanted to add snowmobiles in the park. Kerry asked if there were any objections to moving the first order under new business to the top of the agenda. No objections. (See notes below)
- III. Kerry asked for corrections or deletions to the minutes. Kristy informed the board Bill pointed out that Kieley electric didn't donate the large spruce tree in the park, but donated their time to hang Christmas lights on the tree. Kristy corrected the minutes. Motion by Brad and second by Todd to approve the December 9th minutes, motion passed. Authorization of expenditures was discussed. Motion by Brad and second by Cory to approve the bills as presented, motion passed. The bank statement report was distributed.

IV. Reports:

A. Director

- 1. Arena
 - i. Bill informed the board it was a busy week at the CC. Kerry mentioned he has been approached by a few people that it is cold in the arena. Discussion was had and the board feels 62 degrees is warm enough in the arena.
- 2. Parks
 - i. Bill informed the board that the Spirit of the Season was well attended in the Park. Amy Suda sent a Thank you to the Parks staff for their help.
 - ii. Cross country skiis trails are groomed and opened. Unfortunately, they are not in the best shape due to snowmobiles.
 - iii. Bill and Kristy have begun researching grants for the Boy Scout cabin.
 - iv. Mike is working on a follow up for the RTP grant.
- 3. Campground
 - i. Scott asked if the seasonals have reserved their spaces for next year. Mike said all but 2 have reserved their spot.
- 4. Athletic Fields
 - i. Researching grants for dugouts
- 5. Pool
- 6. Elmwood
 - i. Bill updated the board on Elmwood's activities
- B. Business Manager
 - 1. Kristy Turned in her letter of resignation to the Board. Her last day will be Jan. 29th.
 - 2. Kristy informed the board that 2 budget items needed to carried over into the 2016 budget. \$6500 for the pool liner and \$5000 for the R22 upgrade at the Centennial Center. Brad moved to carry over the budget items to the 2016 budget, second by Todd. Motion passed.

C. Recreations/Facilities Manager

- 1. Mike updated the board on the fall/winter programs for the season so far. Public skating has been doing great and have brought in \$906 over 11 dates. Parks and Rec will continue to look for donations with larger size skates. Mike said he would mention it on the radio and we can put it on Facebook. Acro groups will begin to perform at home basketball games in Jan and Feb. The in house performance will be Feb. 14th at the Armory. No one has registered for adult skating lessons yet, Mike will begin advertising the program earlier next year.
- 2. Parks and Rec received a memorial from the Wollitz family in memory of Urban Wollitz and the money will be used to purchase equipment for the baseball program.
- 3. Mike will host a Babe Ruth tournament meeting with people who will be involved in the planning process Tuesday.

V. Old Business:

A. Centennial Center Summer Roof Project

Brad said he spoke with Dave and Dave was waiting to hear back from Pastorek Con. Dave will contact Brad as soon as he has an answer. Bill said by the next board meeting a decision needs to be made to commit to a project. Discussion continued on the importance of making a decision.

VI. New Business to address

A. Angel of Hope

Lilly Lysengen and Rock Tweten presented information regarding the Angel of Hope Memorial. They asked if the board would be willing to designate a spot in Leistikow Park to build the Memorial. They said at this time they were only asking for the land. Todd asked what their financial cost would be to build the memorial. Lilly explained they would host numerous fundraisers to help with the cost and their board would maintain the site and cleanup as well. The angel cost around \$14,000. Discussion continued and the board unanimously agreed to donate a space in the park.

B. Scoreboard

Bill will continue to research used scoreboards for the next meeting.

C. Snowmobiles

Kerry explained that he has talked to the City Administrator, Nick Ziegelmann, and the Chief of Police, Tony Dumas, regarding snowmobile and motorcycles driving through the park. Kerry explained the current city ordinance regarding snowmobiles and ATV's in the park and said it would be helpful to revise it. Discussion continued regarding the topic. Bill will get on the agenda for the next Ways and Means committee meeting to discuss this issue with city council members. Discussion continued to potentially groom a designated, safe snowmobile trail. Kerry suggested he would like to see the fine raised to \$500 and Parks and Rec will look into putting up fencing and larger signs throughout the park to restrict snowmobile, Atv's and motorcycle use in the park. The use of trail cams was suggested and posting photos of violators on social media. Kerry and staff members discussed the importance of handling this issue was due to close calls with snowmobile, ATV and motorcycle riders coming into close contact with pedestrians using the park.

D. Long Term Planning

VII. No Public Comments:

VIII. Adjournment: Motion by Todd, second by Cory, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:13