Grafton Parks & Recreation Foundation

Monday, August 26th, 2024
Grafton Parks & Recreation Board Room
715 West 5th Street
Grafton, ND 58237
12:00 p.m.

Minutes:

I. Call to Order by Bill Dahl at 12:11 PM

II. Board Members Present:
   A. Board Members Present: Bill Dahl, Mike Shereck, Mark Burns, Seri Gerszewski, Jarrod Steele
   B. Board Members Absent: Amy Geiger
   C. Public Present: Matt Oppegard, Kristi Wilfahrt

III. Bill updated the Foundation Board on the Pool Project. Bill had discussions with KLJ Engineering and presented their Schematic Design plan for the pool project that includes architectural design of the pool house, services, and soil sampling. KLJ's total cost of their portion of the project was quoted at $25,800. Of that total $8,800 would be needed to start the soil sampling of the proposed construction areas. Bill notified the Foundation Board that the 0.25% sales tax ordinance for the pool project passed at the June election. The new sales tax will start October 1st for the 4th Quarter. Bill expects the first disbursement check to come in sometime during the 1st Quarter. Bill explained the amount of fundraising needed for this project is beyond Grafton Parks & Recreation's ability to get done in a timely matter. Bill and Matt had discussions with Kristi Wilfahrt about consulting for the pool project. Kristi explained her objectives and the fees for the quasi-feasibility study to assess capacity of the community's ability and willingness to respond positively in support of a $5 million fundraising campaign. Bill explained that the sales tax revenue will be deposited in the Foundation's account, but that would delay the project even further. Bill asked for a motion to allow the Grafton Parks Board to cover the pool project costs incurred in 2024 with the understanding that the Foundation Board would reimburse the Park Board when the funds are available from the sales tax in 2025. Mike made a motion to reimburse the Park Board with the sales tax revenue for the 2024 pool project costs in 2025. Seri seconded the motion, motion passed all approved. Kristi Wilfahrt presented a confidentiality policy agreement to the Foundation Board. Mark made a motion to accept the confidentiality policy agreement. Seri seconded the motion, motion passed all approved. Once the confidentiality policy agreement was signed, Kristi shared a list of prospects that she would attempt to interview as part of her study. She asked if anyone had any additional names to add to the list to let Matt, Bill, or her know so she could add them to her potential interviewee list.

IV. Old Business:

V. New Business:

IX. Adjournment: Jarrod made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike seconded the motion, motion passed all approved. Meeting was adjourned at 1:05 pm.