

Mandan Park District
Board Minutes
June 11, 2012

The Board of Park Commissioners duly met in regular session on Monday, June 11, 2012 at Mandan City Hall. Those present were President Porter, Commissioners Arenz, Keller, and Knoll. Commissioner Brucker and Legal Advisor Arlen Ruff were absent.

President Porter called the meeting to order at approximately 5:30pm, CDT. President Porter asked if there were any changes or corrections to the minutes of the May 14, 2012 regular meeting, there being none, a motion given by Commissioner Arenz, seconded by Commissioner Keller, to approve the minutes as stated, and the motion carried the approval of the board.

Unfinished Business #1, Director Higlin provided an update on construction of Pepsi All Seasons Arena roof replacement. Project will begin on June 25, 2012 with an anticipated six-week completion date of August 10, 2012. Daily construction workday will begin at 7am.

Unfinished Business #2, Director Higlin provided an update on the Memorial Ballpark fencing upgrade project. The project began in late 2011 and will continue starting in August after the last scheduled game of the season. The project is a 50/50 match with the Mandan Baseball Club with the total cost of the project at \$54,000-\$55,000.

Unfinished Business #3, Director Higlin provided an update on the YMCA partnership. Director Higlin shared that discussions and exploration of options continue. Commissioner Arenz indicated that YMCA board members are also pursuing other site options within Bismarck.

New Business #1, consider for approval resurfacing Millennium Trail with pending grant funding, Director Higlin stated that the project has been reviewed and recommended approval, motion to approve made by Commissioner Knoll, seconded by Commissioner Arenz, and the motion carried the approval of the board.

New Business #2, 2013 budget timeline, portfolio meeting dates, and retreat discussions, Director Higlin shared that definite dates and times will be determined following the June 12th election. Retreat is currently scheduled for Monday, July 9, 2012 following the regularly scheduled monthly commissioners meeting.

New Business #2, Raging Rivers opening update, Reid Katzung that the waterpark opened one week later than scheduled, on Friday, June 1, 2012, because of the cool temperatures. In first eleven days of operation, only one day has been lost to weather. Saturday, June 9, 2012 saw an attendance of approx. 1,500 guests, and since the May 14, 2012 commissioners meeting, season pass memberships have increased from 934 to 1,253.

Staff and Commissioner Reports, Gaye Niemiller stated that two summer interns have started their summer employment in the accounting area, Reid Katzung announced a sponsorship at Raging Rivers with Farmers Union Insurance, Mike Zerr pointed out that several trees have been removed on South 3rd Street, and Dave Frueh shared that summer programs are up and running with a 100+ kids turnout for the Hershey's Track Meet, Brad Olson indicated that he is reviewing superintendent applications and will be interviewing, plus mentioned positive season pass sales information so far for the 2012 season at both golf courses. Commissioner Arenz shared that he received compliments on the little league field conditions from parents of opposing team parents.

The next agenda item was approval of the monthly bills, a motion by Commissioner Arena, seconded by Commissioner Knoll, to approve the monthly bills as stated. A roll call vote was given at this time, with all board members present voting yes. The motion carried the approval of the board.

A motion to adjourn at approximately 6:00PM CDT by Commissioner Keller, seconded by Commissioner Arenz, motion passes.