

PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

4:30 p.m., Snack Bar, Bunker Hill Golf Course

PRESENT: Bob Blocker, Paul Hoffmann, Robin Kennicker, Ken Klinge, Kate Lydon, and David Schlueter

ABSENT: Karen Lyness

STAFF PRESENT: Steve Fehsal, Dan Kroger, Eileen Trimble, Ben Alden, Janna Beau, Brian Feldott and Mike Sullivan

MINUTES APPROVED;  
VOTE: It was moved by Schlueter, seconded by Lydon, to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2015, meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

PARK DIVISION REPORT: Park Division Manager Steve Fehsal updated Commissioners:  
■ **Miller Riverview Park** opens for the season tomorrow. The online reservation system will be ready soon. Currently campers will call the campground managers or go to the park in person until the system is operational. The system should be ready in a week. By the end of April a date will be set for making holiday reservations online. Steve will try to arrange for some computers to be available at a location where campers that do not own computers can go to make holiday reservation. • Some sites during the regular season will not be reserveable online so the managers will have a few sites available for campers that show up without reservations. • The campground office building has been ordered and should arrive at the end of the week. ■ **Parks** open for the season May 2nd so staff is gearing up. Seasonal workers start next week. ■ There is a new state law regarding sledding so staff is meeting with insurance carrier and then with Legal Department.

Commissioner **Blocker** asked what time the holiday reservations would start and would a person be able to reserve multiple sites for the holiday or just one. Mr. Fehsal said a time would be set. He will check with the software representatives but he believes each single campsite reservation would have to be a separate transaction. Commissioner **Hoffmann** asked if there were any complaints about the fee change; Mr. Fehsal said no.

RECREATION DIVISION REPORT: Recreation Division Manager Dan Kroger updated Commissioners:  
■ Manager Kroger introduced **staff present** at the meeting: Ben Alden – Facilities Manager; Janna Beau – Program Supervisor in charge of pools, after school and Special Population programs; Brian Feldott – Program Supervisor in charge of adult athletics and youth sport activities; and Mike Sullivan, new Golf Professional. ■ Staff is working on getting **pools** ready for the season – they will be opening about a week earlier than last year. ■ **Ball-fields** are being worked on to get ready for the softball season. Mr. Feldott said there are currently 40 less softball teams registered than last year.

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MANAGER REPORT: No manager report since Leisure Services Manager Marie Ware was not in attendance.

COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS / QUESTIONS: ■ Commissioner **Klinge** said golfers have mentioned some concerns about shirts being required or not on golf course while playing. Manager Kroger said the question is being discussed. Klinge also had golfers ask him when the part-time staff were going to start working in the snack bar because there were some pretty good golfing days when the snack bar was swamped and needed more help. Mr. Sullivan said he has hired 5 staff and they will be filtering in.

■ Commissioner **Blocker** asked if an e-mail could be sent to commissioners once the date and time for online holiday camping reservations was set.

ADJOURN; VOTE: It was moved by Kennicker, seconded by Schlueter that the meeting be adjourned at 4:55 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Kenneth E. Klinge  
Chairperson

R. B. Blocker  
Attest