

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
August 20, 2015

The Board of Park Commissioners held their regular meeting on August 20, 2015 in the Tom Baker meeting room of the City/County Building. President Jeske called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm. Commissioners Beattie, Starck and Munson were present. Commissioner Schwartz was absent.

Commissioner Beattie moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Starck seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Beattie, Starck, Munson and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Russ Kroshus from the American Legion Lloyd Spetz Post #1 and Baseball Committee Chair appeared before the Board as one of the Featured Partners and Programs. He spoke regarding the 2015 American Legion Central Plains Baseball Tournament that was held in Bismarck.

Bill Bicknell, the Lewis and Clark Wildlife Club Pollinator Garden Coordinator, was the other Featured Partner and Program. He talked about a pollinator garden that has been planted near the trail by Johnny Gisi Memorial Park.

Dave Patience with Swenson, Hagen & Co., representing Sattler Homes, appeared before the Board regarding the construction of a proposed trail, neighborhood park and tree plantings in the Southland 2nd Addition. Sattler Homes has proposed to construct the improvements and then gift the improvements to the Park District. Commissioner Starck moved approval for Sattler Homes to construct the improvements as indicated, contingent upon the development of an agreement, signed by both parties, that states the following:

- The improvements are constructed at no cost to the Park District.
- The project meets Park District standards for constructing trails.
- The improvements will be gifted from Sattler Homes to the Park District upon completion of the project.

Commissioner Beattie seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Beattie, Starck, Munson and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Commissioner Munson moved to approve the July 16, 2015 and July 30, 2015 Board meeting minutes as presented. Commissioner Starck seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Beattie, Starck, Munson and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Dave Mayer from KLJ presented the bids for a neighborhood park on Northrop Drive. Commissioner Beattie moved to approve the low base bid from Weisz and Sons (\$233,558) as well as alternate 1 (\$56,400), alternate 2 (\$11,417.40) and alternate 4 (\$17,800) for a total bid of \$319,175.40. Funding for this project is in the 2015 budget. Commissioner Starck seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Beattie, Starck, Munson and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Commissioner Starck provided an update on the discussions with Burleigh County for the Park District to manage designated Burleigh County park facilities. The county is continuing to discuss the options.

Kathy Feist, Finance Director, provided an overview of the proposed 2016 budget. The proposed budget is a balanced budget with a decrease of .68 mills. Commissioner Munson moved to approve the following:

- Introduction of the 2016 operating budget as presented
- The 2016 budget resolution as presented, and
- Approve of the notice of filing of the 2016 proposed budget and set the public hearing for September 10, 2015 at 6:00 pm.

Commissioner Beattie seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Beattie, Starck, Munson and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Commissioner Beattie moved to approve bills for payment with checks 183266 to 183761 and 369879 to 371019. Commissioner Munson seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Beattie, Starck, Munson and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on September 10, 2015 in the Tom Baker meeting room with the public hearing on the 2016 budget scheduled for 6:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:03 pm.