

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
April 19, 2012

The Board of Park Commissioners held their regular meeting on April 19, 2012 in the Tom Baker meeting room of the City/County Building. President Beattie called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm. Commissioners Jeske, Schwartz, O'Brien, and DeForest were present.

Commissioner Schwartz moved approval of the agenda as presented. Commissioner DeForest seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Jeske, Schwartz, O'Brien, DeForest and President Beattie. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Corey Prince and Kristen Morris from the Bismarck Gymnastics Academy addressed the Board as the Featured Partner and Program.

Bill Sorenson, representing the Sleepy Hollow Summer Theater committee, reviewed the committee's plans to rebuild the stage at Sleepy Hollow Park. There are three phases to the proposed project, and they requested authorization to pursue phase two. Commissioner Schwartz moved approval for the committee to pursue phase one of the stage plan. Commissioner Jeske seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Jeske, Schwartz, O'Brien, DeForest and President Beattie. The nays being none, the motion carried.

President Beattie reviewed the following items on the consent agenda:

- Approval of March 15, 2012 Board Meeting Minutes
- Consideration of Amendment to Tom O'Leary Trail Companion Agreement to include Trail Improvements/Connections to the Southland Trail
- Authorization to Call for Bids for Scheels Complex Diamond #6 Scoreboard
- Authorization to Call for Bids for Riverwood Golf Course Concessions
- Authorization to Call for Bids for Riverwood Golf Shop Roof Repairs

Commissioner DeForest moved approval of the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Schwartz seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Jeske, Schwartz, O'Brien, DeForest and President Beattie. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Greg Smith, Operations Director, reviewed the bids received for playground equipment purchase and installation and concrete work for a new playground at Lions Park. Commissioner Jeske moved approval of the low bid of \$48,450 for play equipment, installation and wood fiber surfacing from My Turn Playsystems and Playcraft and the low bid of \$14,008 for concrete work around the playground from Knife River Construction. Commissioner O'Brien seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Jeske, Schwartz, O'Brien, DeForest and President Beattie. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Kevin Klipfel, Facilities and Programs Director, reviewed bids received for bunker sand at Riverwood Golf Course. Replacement of the bunker sand is supported by FEMA funds. Commissioner DeForest moved approval of the low bid submitted by Abrasives, Inc. for \$39.82 per ton for an approximate 825 tons. Commissioner Schwartz seconded the motion and the

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voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Jeske, Schwartz, O'Brien, DeForest and President Beattie. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Executive Director Bina reviewed a proposed land easement with four landowners in the Highland Acres area. At the December 2011 Board meeting, staff was given authorization by the Board to proceed with developing this easement. If approved by the Board, the landowners will pay to have the land surveyed and this description will be added to the easement.

Commissioner Jeske moved approval of the agreement as presented (with the addition of the legal description) and authorized final signatures on the completed document. Commissioner DeForest seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Jeske, Schwartz, DeForest and President Beattie. Commissioner O'Brien abstained from voting. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Commissioner Schwartz reviewed the process to date that he and Commissioner Jeske have been through in reviewing the longevity benefit for full-time employees. He reviewed three options for Commissioners discussion. Option one is to continue the current longevity program. Option two is to payout employee's current longevity as of May 31, 2012 with credit for each month employed. Option three is a payout of employee's longevity as of May 31, 2012 plus percent increases at current intervals to be added to employee's salaries.

Commissioner O'Brien moved to approve option two. Commissioner Schwartz seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Schwartz and O'Brien. Nays: Commissioners Jeske, DeForest and President Beattie. The motion failed.

Commissioner Jeske moved to approve option three. Commissioner DeForest seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Jeske, Schwartz, DeForest and President Beattie. Nays: Commissioner O'Brien. The motion carried.

Commissioner DeForest moved to approve bills for payment with checks 171446 to 171743 and 335450 to 336691. Commissioner Schwartz seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Jeske, Schwartz, O'Brien, DeForest and President Beattie. The nays being none, the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 pm.

Brian Beattie, President

ATTEST:

Randy Bina, Executive Director of Parks and Recreation