

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS  
June 20, 2013

The Board of Park Commissioners held their regular meeting on June 20, 2013 in the Tom Baker meeting room of the City/County Building. President Schwartz called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm. Commissioners Beattie, DeForest, Jeske and Munson were present.

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

Richard Fleckenstein, owner of the SuperSlide Amusement Park, appeared before the Board as the Featured Partner and Program.

Fern Swenson appeared before the Board to request permission on behalf of the PaleoCultural Research Group to apply for a grant to conduct a public archaeology project at Chief Lookings Village. Commissioner Beattie moved approval to offer a letter of support for their project, contingent upon them receiving permission from other agencies involved. Commissioner Munson seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Beattie, DeForest, Munson, Jeske and President Schwartz. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Executive Director Bina reviewed the bid for the Municipal Ballpark renovation project. The overall bid total was higher than anticipated. The low bids were as follows:

- General construction – Capital City Construction for \$2,258,000
- Mechanical construction – Advanced Mechanical for \$106,100
- Electrical construction – Skeels Electric for \$184,000

Staff recommended rejecting the general construction bid, due to lack of having a competitive bid and cost being higher than anticipated, and re-bid this portion of the project. Staff also requested holding the low mechanical and electrical bids for 45 days and acting on those bids at the July meeting, along with the general construction re-bid.

Commissioner Beattie moved to reject the general construction bid and re-bid this portion of the project. Commissioner DeForest seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Beattie, DeForest, Munson, Jeske and President Schwartz. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Commissioner Jeske moved to hold the low mechanical construction bid from Advanced Mechanical until the July Board meeting. Commissioner Munson seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Beattie, DeForest, Munson, Jeske and President Schwartz. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Commissioner Beattie moved to hold the low electrical construction bid from Skeels Electric until the July Board meeting. Commissioner Munson seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Beattie, DeForest, Munson, Jeske and President Schwartz. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Executive Director Bina reviewed the bid received for relocation of the bleachers from Municipal Ballpark to Haaland Field. This bid was from Seating and Athletic Facility Enterprises, LLC for \$98,650. Staff recommended rejecting this bid since it is higher than anticipated and there are no competitive bids. The project would then be divided into two components – grandstand removal/relocation and the related concrete work. Staff would then determine if it needs to go out for bids or price quotes.

Commissioner Munson moved to reject the bid and request separate bids or price quotes for the components of work, as outlined by Executive Director Bina. Commissioner Beattie seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Beattie, DeForest, Munson, Jeske and President Schwartz. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Executive Director Bina reviewed the current lease arrangement with Streamline Foundation for management of the BSC Aquatic and Wellness Center. The agreement provides for a review of the lease arrangement once every five years. The lease was signed in 2008 so this is the year for the review.

The current arrangement has been working for both parties, and there are options the Board may choose to consider moving forward. These options may include:

1. Continue the operating arrangement with Streamline Foundation another five years with an adjusted financial arrangement.
2. Sell revenue bonds and purchase the BSC Aquatic and Wellness Center.
3. Sell revenue bonds to purchase the BSC Aquatic and Wellness Center as well as consider addition options identified in the facilities study.

Augie Ternes, Finance Director, provided additional financial information regarding the proposed scenarios. No action was taken on this topic. Commissioners will ask for public input on the BSC Aquatic and Wellness Center options at the July Board meeting.

President Schwartz reviewed the following consent agenda. Staff recommended approval of the following items:

- May 16, 2013 Minutes
- Professional Consultant for Municipal Ballpark Parking Lot – Ulteig Engineers
- Facility Use Agreements for Indoor Ice Arenas
  - Bismarck Hockey Boosters
  - Bismarck Public Schools
  - Bismarck Sports Group
- Bismarck Public Schools Use of BSC Aquatic and Wellness Center for Athletic Teams.

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

Commissioner Beattie moved to approve bills for payment with checks 175423 to 175678 and 347452 to 348475. Commissioner Munson seconded the motion and the voting went as follows:

Ayes: Commissioners Beattie, DeForest, Munson, Jeske and President Schwartz. The nays being none, the motion carried.

The next meeting will be held July 18, 2013 at the Tom Baker Meeting Room. The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.