

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
August 20, 2020

The Board of Park Commissioners held their regular meeting on August 20, 2020 in the Tom Baker meeting room of the City/County Building. President Jeske called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm. Commissioners Gilbertson, Jordan, Munson, and Zimmerman were present.

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

Rachael Howard, Local Foods Coordinator, appeared before the Board as the Featured Partner and Program.

M. Angel Moniz and Ali Quarne appeared before the Board to ask the Commissioners to reconsider the educational component proposed for Custer Park, specifically the piece relating to General George Armstrong Custer. Natalia Moniz also addressed the Board on the same topic. The Board took no action on this item.

Operations Director David Mayer reviewed the bids received for the Pioneer Park Parking Lot Expansion Project. As the bids were higher than anticipated, Commissioner Munson moved to reject the bids and re-bid the project in 2021. Commissioner Jordan seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Jordan, Zimmerman, Munson, and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Operations Director David Mayer also reviewed the bids for the General Sibley Park Trail Phase III Project. Commissioner Gilbertson moved to accept the low bid and alternates 1 and 2 provided by All Seasons Landscaping for a total of \$44,838.83. Commissioner Munson seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Jordan, Zimmerman, Munson, and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Finance Director Kathy Feist reviewed the final updates to the 2019 Audit and Financial Statements, and the Park District received a clean opinion. The only change from the draft report was finalizing information received about the pension program from the city of Bismarck audit. Commissioner Zimmerman moved to accept the audit report as presented. Commissioner Munson seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Jordan, Zimmerman, Munson, and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

Executive Director Bina provided an update on COVID-19 and how it is impacting the Park District.

President Jeske reviewed the following items on the consent agenda:

- Review and approval of July 16 and July 22, 2020 Board Meeting minutes.
- Request to Apply for a Recreation Matching Grant from Garrison Conservancy District for improvements in North Central Park.

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

Commissioner Munson moved to approve the bills for payment with checks 406937 to 406969 and 202315 to 202885 along with bank drafts DFT000765 to DFT000791, EFTs 905 to 959 and direct deposits 29258 to 30491. Commissioner Gilbertson seconded the motion and the voting went as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Gilbertson, Jordan, Zimmerman, Munson, and President Jeske. The nays being none, the motion carried.

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2020 at 5:15 pm in the Tom Baker Meeting Room. This meeting will include the public hearing on the proposed 2021 budget. The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 pm.