

PARKS AND RECREATION MEETING

2:00 pm. Regular meeting

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

Mueller Civic Center

801 S 6th Street

Hot Springs SD 57747

Minutes:

Public present: Jason Goetsch, Jason Midgeley, Kaitlin Mosset, Shelley Hagan-Brown.

Staff present: Robert Nelson Jr, Chris Kattke, Lori Sherrard, Gabby Martin, Bart Sieg.

City Council: Larry Pratt, Linda Varvel, Co-Chairs, Alderwoman Debra Johnston.

We voted to accept agenda as is.

Cemetery Updates by Lori: Due to recent weather ground is a soft , mushy mud with ruts that will get fixed as soon as possible. The digger needs to finish off by leveling and tamping down the dirt on the plots.

Parks update by Bart. Repainted equipment and will be working on firing up the city restrooms by end of April to avoid frozen pipes due to low night time temperatures.

Mueller Center updates per Chris: Things are full speed ahead, we survived Prom 2024. Are preparing for the upcoming Missoula Children's Theater May 1, pre-registration will be second week of April. High School Play Snow Queen is April 4,5, and 6 2024. We will start mowing the grounds soon.

Recreation updates per Gabby: Working on summer program, to have 2 cycles of swim lessons three weeks each session. Will look at offering Golf, Taekwondo, Pickleball, Girl's Softball? Gymnastics?.

KHSB updates per Kaitlin and Shelley: All pods were released on south end of town except Big Bats. Start planting as weather allows. Bednar's have ordered the table with a June arrival date for placement in the pod next to ACE Hardware. Ladies expressed concern over the contractors using the pods as garbage pits for chunks of concrete and iron pieces. Bob Jr will address that with the contractors. Activities planned are; May clean up, Spring mixer at the MCC and the Earth Day Rummage Sale. They have not moved forward on the Centennial Park lights in the trees project.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Seven Sisters-Point of Interest/Interpretive Site-Bob Jr is working on researching information for an interpretive plaque to be placed at a pull out near the top of the truck bypass.
2. Rob Mason- Memorial Bench/Plaque Chatauqua Park, Whenever family is ready they wish to have a stone bench placed near the playground with a commemorative plaque.
3. Community Garden- Annual report is pending
4. Projects from Public Works to be moved to Parks and Rec

*Irrigation at the Depot

*irrigation across from Lynn's Dakota Mart

*Irrigation along Centennial Park

* Sons of American Legion Flagpole at Centennial Park

5. Jason Goetsch- SHRec-Volleyball Court presentation. Gave several options for court sites, we thought option B was most viable. Color schemes for signs was discussed. Agree to move to council for a vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. City Parks Addresses- List is complete
2. Tree Grant- work will begin April 10, 2024.
3. Pickleball court resurfacing- End of April also asked about backordered items.
4. Butler Park Baseball Fields- No update.
5. Irrigating public access area along Fall River adjacent to Centennial Park- No update.
6. School Street Park- Inclusive Playground Planning- Nothing finalized.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Jason Midgely along with SHRec are looking at grants for windscreens. BH Energy for switching out the current lights around the Tennis/Pickleball/basketball court with LED lights' with a new system with a timer box to control lights.

Deb Johnston made the comment about removal of the hemlock in various areas along Fall River. Bart responded with it needs to be sprayed twice a year.

Adjourn @ 3:00pm. Next Meeting May 1,2024. 2:00 pm @ MCC