

Forman, North Dakota
January 19, 2016

The Sargent County Park Board met at 9:05 a.m. at the Sargent County Courthouse with the following present: James Peterson, Jerry Waswick, Mike Walstead, and Bill Anderson. Absent were Gordon Phillips, Sherry Hosford and David Jacobson. Also present: Dennis Goltz, Park Manager; Paula Hansen, Assistant Park Manager; Jeanne Sexton-Brown, Sargent County Teller; and Pam Maloney, Sargent County Auditor.

Motion to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2015 meeting. (Waswick/Anderson, unanimous) The financial statement showed a balance of \$48,962.25 in the county park fund and a balance of \$5779.14 in the Kraft Slough Project fund. Approve financial report. (Walstead/Waswick, unanimous) The board was informed at this time that, as of January 1, 2016, the Park Fund has been combined with the General Fund, so they will not be receiving fund balances in future correspondence. They will only receive budget reports.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Dennis Goltz PIP is going well, according to emails that Jim Peterson has received. Mr. Goltz has 4 more sessions to go and the park board will review this at the March 15th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Paula Hansen inquired about matching money available for the grants she is writing and what improvements should take priority. The board would like Play Places & Gathering Spaces Playground Phase #2 to have #1 priority; the picnic shelter to have #2 priority; and the basketball courts to have #3 priority. Motion to authorize Paula Hansen to apply for grants for the picnic shelter and the playground phase #2. When it is known what grants are approved, then the board will decide how to move forward with the monies on hand. (Anderson/Walstead, unanimous) Camping fees collected through December 31, 2015 were \$39,880 and pavilion rental has brought in \$1,500. There was also a donations received from the Southeast Sportsman's Club in the amount of \$100; and from the Cogswell Gun Club for \$55. Some discussion on how to expand to provide for more seasonal site areas, as there are many individuals on the waiting list. The Cogswell Gun Club will be again utilizing the pavilion for their fishing derby on February 21st. The Board discussed gift certificates for camping at the park. There have been just a few people interested in purchasing them, so it was decided not to allow gift certificates at this time. Paula Hansen has been approached by Terry Dusek, Pheasants Forever, regarding a pollinator project at the park. They have money available for seed, and it would be a good project for youth clubs and or school children.

Motion approve payment of the following bill: (Anderson/Walstead, unanimous)

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Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m. (Anderson/Waswick, unanimous)

JAMES PETERSON - CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

PAM MALONEY - SECRETARY