The Sargent County Park Board met at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Room of the Sargent County Courthouse with the following present: Gordon Phillips, Sherry Hosford, David Jacobson, Mike Walstead, and Bill Anderson. Also present: Dennis Goltz, Park Manager; Russ Boutain, county resident; Tibby Hinderlie, Sargent County Teller; and Pam Maloney, Sargent County Auditor. Absent was Jim Peterson & Jerry Waswick.

Vice-Chairman Gordon Phillips called the meeting to order.

Jerry Waswick arrived at the meeting.

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 16 meeting as corrected. (Hosford/Anderson, unanimous) The financial statement showed a balance of \$5779.14 in the Kraft Slough Project fund and an estimated balance of \$67,008.06 in the park general fund with \$98,511.02 spent from the \$131,334 budget. There has also been \$20,000 transferred from the General Fund/Park Department to a new fund entitled "Campgrounds Improvements" which will be used next year or 2018 to continue with Phase 2 of Play Places and Gathering Spaces. Approve financial report. (Anderson/Walstead, unanimous)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: A new brass plate inscribed with "In Memory of Harlan A Klefstad" has been attached to one of the benches next to the pavilion. Discussion on a fireworks ordinance and/or other rules & regulation changes. This will be discussed further at the October meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Motion to accept the recommendation of the interview committee and hire Russell Boutain as park manager and Paula Hansen as assistant park manager. Park manager to be paid at a Grade 8/Step 4 based on his experience and general knowledge of the park system. (Anderson/Jacobson) Roll Call Vote: Yes – Jacobson, Walstead, Anderson, Hosford, Waswick and Phillips. No – None. Absent – James Peterson. Mr. Boutain will help the current manager, Dennis Goltz, finish out the year, and start his seasonal full-time position next spring. There was some discussion about reviewing the job description for the park manager and creating a job description for the assistant. Motion to develop a job description for the assistant park manager and make it a seasonal position that does not require advertising a "help wanted" each season which has been the practice for several years. (Anderson/Waswick, unanimous) Commissioner Hosford will work on these and send drafts out for review to be acted on at the next park board meeting. There is a leak in the pavilion roof. Mr. Boutain will take a look at it & report back at the next meeting. Discussed ideas for the next Garrison Diversion Conservancy District Recreation grant. The Board discussed bringing water to a pedestal on the north side and also to bring water and electricity to a spot north of the bathrooms on the west side. Commissioner Hosford introduced the following resolution and made motion for it to be adopted:

WHEREAS, Silver Lake Park is a popular recreational area in southeast North Dakota, serving thousands of residents and providing opportunities for fishing, swimming, boating, camping, picnics, other water-based recreational activities, and use of the Pavilion for receptions, reunions and other gatherings and WHEREAS, there is the need for additional water & electricity for campers; WHEREAS, there is funding available from Garrison Diversion Conservancy District Recreation Grant program, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sargent County Park Board request funding during the spring of 2017 grant application program for water & electric hookups for camping areas. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent with the application for funding. Commissioner Waswick seconded the motion, and the resolution was duly declared carried and adopted. There have been requests from campers for a monthly rate. The question was raised if that would limit other campers. Commissioner Hosford will look at the receipt book at the end of the season to see how many campers there would be that this would benefit. There was a request by a camper to leave their camper at Silver Lake over the winter. They have been there several years & always have the same spot. The board decided that this would set a bad precedence and that the camping spots at the park are at a first come/first served basis, so that a camper should not be left there over the winter. The auditor was instructed to add to the pavilion rental rules that garbage should be taken out of the pavilion after clean-up and put in a barrel or a dumpster outside. There have been \$29,125 camping fees collected through August 2016 and \$1,400 pavilion rental. July general donations amounted to \$0 and playground donations were \$1,010.

Motion to approve payment of the following bills: (Jacobson/Hosford, motion carried)

73706Bernard Mahrer Construction, Inc Pit Run/Clay	409.80
73707 Butler Machinery Co. Oil	50.10
73708 Dakota Plains Round-up	50.00
73709 Dakota Valley Electric Coop Electricity	1,204.00
73710 Dickey Rural Networks Phone	36.90
73711 Hardware Hank Paint/bulbs/flag/cleaner	192.28
73712McLaen's Service Tires/Mounting/Oil Change	248.72
73713 Nelson Home Center, LLC Bolts/Kitchen Spray Hose	22.99
73714R & A Contracting, LLC Tree Removal	500.00
73715 Rutland Oil Company 240 Gals Ethanol	504.00
73716Storbakken Sanitation Garbage Service	281.00
73717Tri-State Pest Control Park & Bathroom Spraying	650.00
12576 Dennis Goltz 162.75 hours less 784.61 deduct	tions 2,665.69
12577 Sally Johnson 67.75 hours less 51.83 tax	kes 625.67
12578 Susan Schweitzer 117 hours less 208.61 taxes	1,195.39
12579ND State Tax Commissioner W/H State Tax	37.00
12580 Sargent County Bank Matching/Withholding taxe	es 1,272.96
12582Job Service ND Unemployment Compensa	ation 43.69
73721Aflac Insurance Premium	79.95
73723ND PERS Insurance Premium	2.71
73724Blue Cross/Blue Shield Insurance Premium	75.90

Donna Eklund, county resident arrived at the meeting	ng at 9:55 a.m.	
Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m. (Anderson/Hosford, unanimous)		
ATTEST:	GORDON PHILLIPS - VICE-CHAIRMAN	
PAM MALONEY - SECRETARY		