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MINUTES
YANKTON PARK ADVISORY BOARD
Monday, July 18, 2022, 5:30PM, in the Community Room
CMTEA Building, 1200 W. 21st Street

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

Roll Call:

Present: Nick Severson, Elizabeth Healy, and Jason Tellus.

Absent: Tom Bixler, Dan Prendable, Jeannine Economy, and Commissioner Bridget Bensen.

Also present Director of Parks and Recreation Todd Larson, and Parks Secretary Chasity McHenry.

Public Appearances: None.

Minutes: May 16, 2022 minutes approved. Tellus motioned. Severson second. Motion passed 3-0.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. 2022 Capital projects update.

New play equipment will be installed in Westside Park in 2022. Current ship date for the new equipment is in September.

The Yankton Territorial Museum buildings were removed in July. The caboose will be moved in the fall of 2022. The area will be seeded in with grass.

The Westside improvements project has begun. The meditative garden, sun dial, and labyrinth projects has not been bid yet.

The only remaining asphalt trail that needs to be replaced in Fantle Memorial Park is the walkway leading up to the south wood shelter. That will be done in the fall after shelter rentals have stopped.

Spoke to Jesse Bailey about disc golf holes and if any basket locations make play unsafe. He was going to speak with other players and get back to the Parks Department with a recommendation.

Hopefully, there will be a Marne Creek trail project bid this fall so the trail reconstruction can finally being.

Bocce ball lanes at Fantle Memorial Park will be fixed. The holes need to be filled in with sand and epoxy.



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III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2023 Capital budget proposal. Only three items of significance to point out. 1) Ball field groomer with laser leveling capability for baseball and softball fields; 2) resurfacing of Fantle Memorial Tennis courts (north courts are in good shape, south courts have some paint issues); and 3) Pickle ball court resurfacing at the Westside Park tennis courts. As you can compare from the last meeting, some projects have been pushed to 2024.
- B. Christmas lighting at Riverside Park by Optimists Club. The club has secured another grant and will be purchasing some displays that will be placed to the west of the Capitol Building. The Optimists still plan to do the Santa Claus house in the Capitol in December. The Optimists want more lighting in Riverside Park in the years to come and this is a small start to that long-term vision.
- C. The Parks, Recreation and City Events department has been reorganized. Brian Frick has announced his retirement for the spring of 2023. With that major change, the department has reorganized to have three managers to oversee different parts of the department so one person isn't responsible and taking phone calls about an overwhelming amount of grounds and facilities.
- D. General Discussion.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Commission information Memorandums (4 CIM attachments).
- B. Next Meeting: Monday, September 19, 2022.

V. ADJOURN

Tellus motioned, Healy second. Motion carried 3-0.