

The West Fargo Park Board met at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 12, 2008 at West Fargo City Hall. Members present were: Sharon Odegaard, Todd Rheault, Denise Johnson, Kathy Scully and Ken Zetocha. The meeting was called to order by Chair Sharon Odegaard.

Commissioner Scully made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the order of the agenda with the following changes:

Addition – Rendezvous Ball Diamonds (Erbstoesser)

All board members present voting aye; motion carried.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Scully to approve Park Board minutes of the October 1, 2008 and October 8, 2008 meeting as presented. All board members present voting aye; motion carried.

Commissioner Zetocha made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

Approve Bills
Monthly Report

Commissioners Rheault, Johnson, Scully, Zetocha and Odegaard voting aye; motion carried.

Rich Meier from YHR gave an update on the office addition. The project is one week behind. There have been concerns about the shingles. Mr. Meier said the shingles need heat. Mr. Meier said they will fix if needed and will replace this spring if there is no improvement.

Director Erbstoesser presented the Lake Agassiz Bowmen contract. The dates would be April 3 - 5, 2009. Commissioner Johnson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rheault to approve the contract as proposed. Commissioners Scully, Zetocha, Rheault, Johnson and Odegaard voting aye; motion carried.

Recreation Manager Belisle gave an update on the recreation programs.

Commissioner Odegaard recommended postponing the focus group meetings until spring. With the original date of January, Commissioner Odegaard feels more planning and organizing needs to happen before the meetings happen. Commissioner Zetocha suggested pre-meetings with the park board and staff before the actual focus group meetings. The updated schedule is to organize and plan in January and meet with the public in March.

Director Erbstoesser said Dakota Fence will be unable to do the fencing at Rendezvous Park this fall due to extreme moisture in the ground. With the record amount of rainfall this fall, Dakota Fence recommends waiting until spring to install the ball field fences. Commissioner Rheault strongly suggested to document in writing with Dakota Fence for their firm commitment of spring of 2009. Commissioner Rheault said fencing needs to get in as soon as possible in the spring due to fundraising efforts.

Commissioner Rheault made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to get in writing from Dakota Fence the commitment of top priority for the spring of 2009 for the installation of fencing for the Rendezvous Park ball fields of four units of fencing and two backstops. All members presented voting aye; motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

WF Park Board Chair, Sharon Odegaard

WF Park Board Clerk, Justin Germundson