

The West Fargo Park Board met at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 12, 2011 at West Fargo City Hall. Members present were: Sharon Odegaard, Todd Rheault, Denise Johnson and Jeff McCracken. Commissioner Kathy Scully was absent. The meeting was called to order by Chair Sharon Odegaard.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rheault to approve the order of the agenda. All board members present voting aye; motion carried.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McCracken to approve park board minutes of the December 8, 2010 meeting as presented. All board members present voting aye; motion carried.

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

Approve Bills
Monthly Report
Amend 2010 Budget

- 8030 General Fund amended to \$1,961,397.47
- 8040 Social Security amended to 67,638.54
- 8050 Specials amended to 579,412.32
- 8051 Specials; Refi 09 amended to 276,385.02

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

Dan Bueide discussed the South Pond at the Preserve. Mr. Bueide was looking for feedback on the proposed layout. Mr. Bueide requested the approval of the “blue” sections (trail parcels) on the handout. Commissioner Rheault made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to accept land dedication at the South Pond at the Preserve on the blue highlighted sections per the handout. Commissioners McCracken, Rheault, Johnson and Odegaard voting aye; motion carried.

Roger Yliniemi, representing the West Fargo Hockey Association, gave an update on their organization. Mr. Yliniemi said the sign advertising campaign was going well. Mr. Yliniemi

inquired about the \$6,500 pledged by the park board earlier in the season. Since the WFHA is current on all ice bills and paid their June pledge payment, Mr. Yliniemi feels the WFHA is in good standing with the park board again. The park board agreed. Mr. Yliniemi felt the December pledge payment should be made in the next few months with upcoming fundraisers planned.

Commissioner Rheault made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McCracken to allocate \$6,500 to the West Fargo Hockey Association for their “Grow the Game” youth hockey program. Commissioners Johnson, McCracken, Rheault and Odegaard voting aye; motion carried.

Director Erbstoesser spoke about a possible upcoming study that will be done by the North Dakota Recreation and Park Association. The NDRPA is looking for help in funding the study. The potential cost share to the park district would be \$2,500. At this time no action is required.

Recreation Manager Belisle gave an update on the recreation programs.

The meeting was adjourned.

Park Board Chair, Sharon Odegaard

Park Board Clerk, Justin Germundson