



The West Fargo Park Board met at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at Rustad Recreation Center. Members present were: Todd Rheault, Jeff McCracken, Chris Heise, Ken Zetocha, and Jake Lauritsen. The meeting was called to order by President Todd Rheault.

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

- Addition – Rustad Additional Gym Floor Change (Germundson)
- Addition – Rendezvous Ball Field Change (Rheault)

Commissioner McCracken made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Lauritsen to approve minutes of the August 8, 2018 and August 22, 2018 meetings as presented. All board members present voting aye; motion carried.

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

- Approve Bills – \$1,072,615.58
- Monthly Report

Commissioners Lauritsen, McCracken, Heise, Zetocha, and Rheault voting aye; motion carried.

Business Manager Germundson spoke on Rustad Recreation Center gym rental rates. Peer gym rental rates have increased their rates. Peer rates have increased to \$50+ per hour. The Rustad existing rate is \$40 per hour. Business Manager Germundson recommended \$45 per hour effective immediately. Commissioner Heise made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McCracken to increase the Rustad Recreation Center gym fee to \$45 per hour effective immediately. Commissioners Lauritsen, McCracken, Heise, Zetocha, and Rheault voting aye; motion carried.

The frequency of the monthly sub-committee meetings was discussed. Currently the agenda only gets sent to the two commissioners involved with the meeting. Business Manager Germundson will now send the sub-committee meeting agenda to all five commissioners. If the other commissioners want further information, it will be up to them to discuss with the attendees of the sub-committee meeting.

At 6:00 p.m., the public hearing was held regarding the approval of the 2019 annual budget. Business Manager Germundson discussed the budget with a presentation.

The following individual expressed their concern regarding the 2019 annual budget:

Name:	Address:
Steve Marquart	725 15 th Avenue East



Commissioner Heise made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McCracken to approve the 2019 annual budget with expenditures of \$8,835,630 and to set the 2019 annual levy at \$4,476,730. Commissioners Lauritsen, McCracken, Heise, Zetocha, and Rheault voting aye; motion carried.

Commissioner Lauritsen and Director Erbstoesser (not present) have been in communication with an appraiser for the Beaton Farm property (South Elmwood Park). The appraiser will have a report next month.

Business Manager Germundson discussed the flooring of the additional gym for the Rustad Rec Center Expansion. Changing the multi-use sport court to hardwood would be a minimal charge based on preliminary estimates. The Park would receive a credit for the existing flooring and pay the difference for the upgrading to hardwood flooring. The flooring would be re-bid. The primary reason for the change of flooring is due to the multiple issues with the current multi-use sport court. Commissioner Zetocha made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Heise to switch the Rustad Rec Center Expansion additional gym floor from sport court to hardwood. Commissioners McCracken, Heise, Zetocha, Lauritsen, and Rheault voting aye; motion carried.

President Rheault suggested a change order for the Rendezvous Park Project (ball fields). President Rheault said in order to keep flexibility for future field use and programs, we should only sod the two Rendezvous fields and not make three infields per field as originally planned. President Rheault and Commissioner Lauritsen said the eventual goal would be for West Fargo Baseball and West Fargo Softball to switch field complexes since those sites are better fits for each program. West Fargo Baseball would use Elmwood Park, while West Fargo Softball would use Rendezvous Park. Commissioner Zetocha made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McCracken to change order the Rendezvous Park Project (ball fields) to sod both outfields and not to do redo the infields. Commissioners Heise, Zetocha, Lauritsen, McCracken, and Rheault voting aye; motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

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President Todd Rheault

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Justin Germundson', written over a horizontal line.

Clerk Justin Germundson