

RECREATION BOARD MINUTES

Minutes of the Recreation Board Meeting held on April 4th, 2011 from 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Present: Jeff Courter-Chairman, Tim Bickel-Secretary, Mary Jannides, Katie McMillan-Council and Tom Barnett with Sidney Daily News

Also Present: Duane Gaier- Parks Director, Jennie Rogers-Recreation Specialist, Roger Gibson and Lana Patch-Plasti-Pak Manufacturing and Chamber Leadership.

Absent: Jerry Knoop

Courter called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. Jannides made a motion to except the minutes and Bickel seconded the motion. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Brookside Update: Gaier presented the board with a power point presentation of the proposed lay out of Brookside. Also, the board was given a hand-out of the layout so they could look over the proposed walkways (paved and mulched), shelters(one shelter for sure and three additional as alternates), two overlooks wood decks, two parking lots, information kiosk etc... The area that was used as the National Guard Firing Range will have a sign to show this location. This park will be used as a natural area only no vehicles will have entrance unless they are using the lodge. There will be approximately one mile of paved area around the outside of Brookside for walkers. The updates to this park were made possible from the donations of Cargill as well as a grant from ODNR.

Grant for Julia Lamb Park improvements: Gaier informed the board that the Parks Department has applied for a CDBG Grant for the improvement of Julia Lamb Park. The request was for a lighted basketball court at the east end of the shelter, also to add lighting to the shelter house that is already there and to put up a night light near the shelter. August is when the grant will be awarded.

ODH pool regulations update: Gaier and Rogers attended a seminar on new pool regulations that will be effective April 1st, 2011. The biggest change this year is if there is diarrhea in the pool the pool will have to be shut down and super chlorinated for 12.75 hours after the chlorination reaches 20 PPM. This could close the pool up to one full day.

Old Business: There is no old business at this time.

Comments: Bickel commended the parks department on a job well done. Also Bickel thanked Cargill for their contribution to Brookside.

McMillan asked if there was a reply back from the Thorne's on their rock or wanting to place a bench or tree in at Tawawa Park. Gaier said that he had not heard anything from them.

Gaier informed the board that we are currently taking applications to fill the position vacant on the Recreation Board if the board knows of someone please get their name into the parks department as soon as possible.

Bickel motioned to adjourn and Jannides seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Jeff Courter, Chairman

Tim Bickel, Secretary