

RECREATION BOARD MINUTES

Minutes of the Recreation Board Meeting held on September 14th, 2009 from 4:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Present: Jerry Knoop-Chairman, Tim Bickel, Mary Jannides, Jeff Courter-Secretary, Greg Jones

Also Present: Duane Gaier- Parks Director, Jennie Rogers-Recreation Specialist

Absent: Katie McMillan-Council and Tom Barnett with Sidney Daily News

Knoop called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. No corrections were made to the minutes. Jannides made a motion to accept August 3rd, 2009 minutes. Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed with no objections.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget: Gaier informed the board that the Parks and Recreation Department has had to make cuts to the 2010 operating budget as well as the 5 year plan budget. The board will be informed of the cuts when they are all passed by council.

Custenborder Paving: A power point presentation was given by Gaier to the board. The presentation showed the paved walkways at Custenborder. The paving extended through all the walkways between the ball fields and the walking path around the fields. Barrett Paving received the contract to do the paving job.

Dog Park interest: The Parks and Recreation Department has been approached by a couple of groups interested in raising private funds to build a dog park. Gaier has been in contact with the Waste Water treatment plant about the possibility of putting the park around their facility. We currently have 6 acres there that are marked for the dog park. Gaier proposed the group raise funds to put in a parking lot, a fence around the perimeter of the property and a dog watering fountain to start with. Gaier estimated that the park would cost around \$80,000.00 to get started. The City of Sidney Parks and Recreation Department has no money marked for this project. All funds for this would have to come from private funds only.

Year end results for lunch program, pool results and recreation clinics: A power point presentation was given by Rogers on all the end of the season results. Please see attached results.

Comments:

Gaier informed the boards that the Big 4 Soccer Tournament at Tawawa and Landrum was a huge success. There were a total of 69 teams with approximately 900 players.

Gaier also informed the board that the roofs on the shelters at Custenborder and Chief O'Leary have been replaced.

Jannides made a motion to adjourn and Jones seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Jerry Knoop, Pres.

Jeff Courter, Sec.