

## Minot Park Board Meeting

July 17, 2018

The Minot Park Board meeting on July 17, 2018 at 6:30pm in the community room located in the Minot Municipal Auditorium.

Members present: Cliff Hovda, Chuck Emery, Mike Schmitt, Perry Olson and Steve Wharton. Also present were Ron Merritt and Elly DesLauriers.

### Personal Appearances:

Brian Osowski presented on both bond projects for the Paving Improvements and the Exhibits at the Roosevelt Park Zoo.

Motion by Emery, second by Schmitt to create a resolution creating the fund of an improvement district, providing for and appropriating special assessments for the support and maintenance of said fund, and authorizing the issuance of improvement warrants thereon. On roll call, all members voted yes.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Emery to create a resolution providing for the issuance and sale of park district of the City of Minot North Dakota facilities gross revenue bonds, series 2018A. On roll call, all members votes yes.

Motion by Olson, second by Emery to create a resolution authorizing the issuance of \$2,200,000.00 refunding improvement bonds, series 2018, prescribing the terms and covenants thereof, and creating a fund for the payment thereof. On roll call, all members voted yes.

Commissioner Hovda appointed Ron Merritt, Calyn Beckman and Cliff Hovda to oversee the bond sale process.

Motion by Emery, second by Wharton to approve the June 19, 2018 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wharton, second by Olson to approve the bills in the amount of \$612,143.83. On roll call, all members voted yes.

Motion by Schmitt, second by Emery to approve the salaries in the amount of \$248,403.87. On roll call, all members voted yes.

### Department Head Reports:

Director of Operations Jarrod Olson reported the shade structures at Hoeven have been delayed because of the baseball schedule. They will be put in as soon as the schedule allows. He reported the play structure at Polaris will be rebid in August. Souris Valley Golf Pro Steve Kottsick reported construction is going well. Souris Valley Golf Superintendent reported construction is going well and the new greens are well underway. MAYSA Arena manager Bob Gillen presented a report from Dave Wescott on his findings in the West Rink. The findings of the report revealed the new heat exchanger will be a huge improvement for the West Rink and the sand floor is one of the best he has seen.

Maintenance Superintendent, Brian Mathson reported the new barn in the camel exhibit is complete and swing sets have been installed in Roosevelt, Radio City and Polaris Park. Horticulturist, Shannon Paul had nothing to add to her report. City Forester, Brian Johnson reported that Dutch Elm Disease is now under fifty percent.

#### New Business:

Executive Director, Ron Merritt presented the 2019 Preliminary Budget.

Motion by Wharton, second by Emery to accept the first reading of the 2019 Preliminary Budget. On roll call, all members voted yes.

The public hearing for the 2019 Preliminary Budget will be September 18, 2019.

Executive Director, Ron Merritt updated the board on discussions on the possible combination of the Minot Recreation Commission and the Minot Park District.

Executive Director, Ron Merritt reported on the Audubon Grant Agreement.

Commissioner Hovda reviewed the current Board Policy for committees. Merritt reported they will be looking at other park districts around the state and review their committee and portfolio structure.

#### Other Business:

Discussion was held on the liquor and alcohol policy at the MAYSA Arena.

Motion by Emery, second by Schmitt to approve the designated bar located on the upper west side room inside the Pepsi rink at the MAYSA Arena. Motion carried.

Motion by Emery, second by Schmitt to approve the designated serving areas and to approve additional serving areas for specific special events for serving and selling alcohol. Motion carried.

Motion by Emery, second by Wharton to approve the administratively approved alcohol permits. Motion carried.

#### Directors Report:

Merritt reported on the Downtown Gathering Space, flood control discussions with the City of Minot, Polaris and Jefferson Park improvements and the outdoor recreation area.

#### Commissioners Report:

Commissioner Emery asked that staff follow up on the expansion of the Oak Park Band Shell. Commissioner Schmitt expressed frustrations with the Superfund Site and hopes to see movement on it as soon as possible. Commissioner Olson reported he looks forward to talks of combining the Minot Recreation Commission and the Minot Park District.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Cliff Hovda, President

Elly DesLauriers, Clerk