

PARK BOARD ROUNDTABLE MEETING

June 23, 2010

Pursuant to due call and order, the Board of Park Commissioners, Dickinson Park District, met for a public roundtable meeting at 8:15 a.m. on Wednesday, June 23, 2010 at the West River Community Center.

ROLL CALL: Present were Commissioners Mike Lefor, Kelly Cooper, Carol Herauf, John Gaffaney and Scott Kovash. Also present were Director James Kramer, Park Operations Manager Scott Mack, Recreation/Facilities Manager Ryan Nelson, Facility Operations Manager Xavier Dukart, Pro Shop Supervisor/Golf Pro Jeremy Davis, Attorney Mary Nordsvan and Clerk Leah Hoenke.

Approve Canvassed Election Results (Attachment #1) - Commissioner Kelly Cooper made a motion to approve the June 8, 2010 Primary Election Results for the re-election of Commissioners Scott Kovash, Mike Lefor and Kelly Cooper. Motion duly seconded by Commissioner Kelly Cooper. Upon vote, all aye. Motion carried.

Adjourn Current Park Board - Commissioner John Gaffaney made a motion to adjourn the current Park Board. Motion seconded by Commissioner Scott Kovash. Upon vote, all aye. Motion carried.

Call to Order - New Park Board - Commissioner Kelly Cooper made a motion to elect Mike Lefor as the temporary chair for the new Park Board. Motion duly seconded by Commissioner Carol Herauf. Upon vote, all aye. Motion carried. Temporary Chair Mike Lefor called the new Park Board to order with all Commissioners present.

Administration of Oath for Elected Commissioners - Director James Kramer read the Oath to Commissioners Mike Lefor, Kelly Cooper and Scott Kovash. Commissioners were subscribed and sworn in June 23, 2010.

Election of President - Commissioner John Gaffaney made a motion for Mike Lefor to serve as President of the Dickinson Park Board. Motion duly seconded by Commissioner Carol Herauf. Upon vote, all aye. Motion carried.

Election of Vice President - Commissioner Carol Herauf made a motion for John Gaffaney to serve as Vice President of the Dickinson Park Board. Motion duly seconded by Commissioner Scott Kovash. Upon vote, all aye. Motion carried.

Board Appointments - President Mike Lefor said that he would like to see the following appointments: Forestry/Memorial Park - John Gaffaney; Finance/Budget Committee - Kelly Cooper and Mike Lefor; Planning and Zoning - Scott Kovash; and Dickinson Baseball - Carol Herauf. President Lefor explained that with Dickinson hosting the next two year's regional baseball tournaments that it will be important to have an appointed Commissioner to work with the baseball programs and organizations in Dickinson. Commissioner Scott Kovash made a motion to approve the Board appointments. Motion duly seconded by Commissioner Carol Herauf. Upon vote, all aye. Motion carried.

Discussion/Questions - Director James Kramer gave an update on the soccer fields progress and said that they are now seeded and irrigated. He also said that the Dog Park is now open and being used and we will have a formal grand opening tentatively set for around the time school starts. He stated that there will be a gathering for the

anniversary of the Dickinson Tornado on July 8, 2010 at Eagles Park. He said the Governor will be in attendance. Other discussion was held on the recent pool articles that have been in the paper. President Mike Lefor said that the outdoor pool is a tough situation of which putting in the initial \$100,000 will only solve the problem of updating the drains, but doesn't take care of the rest of a renovation to a very old pool that has leaked for years. He believes it is not a good decision to open it. Director Kramer said that the pool and the bandshell are right next to each other and that they both need major renovations. Commissioner John Gaffaney said that he believes that more people would like to see the bandshell renovated to go along with the work that was done in Memorial Park. Director James Kramer said that he recommends cleaning out the pool and making it a concessions area with restrooms and parking for the bandshell. Attorney Mary Nordsven added that we should consider looking at the oil companies in town and that they are always looking for projects for their foundations. Discussion was also held on the recent effect that the rain has had on the golf course greens and that the maintenance staff may be having a hard time keeping up with the mowing which is causing the greens to be slower than normal. Director Kramer said that the greens crew is doing the same procedure as last year and that we may just need to wait it out. He also said that the greens are catered toward the average municipal golfer and not the competitive golfer and that our course should not be compared to a higher end golf course.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Carol Herauf made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 a.m. Motion duly seconded by Commissioner Kelly Cooper. Upon vote, all aye. Motion carried.

PREPARED BY:

APPROVED BY:

Clerk

President