

City of La Vista
Park & Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes
June 21, 2017

A meeting of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee for the City of LaVista convened in open and public session at 7:00 p.m. on June 21, 2017. Present was Director Scott Stopak, Assistant Director David Karlson, Program Coordinators Ryan South and Denny Dinan, Jeff Thornburg, Public Works Parks Dept. Advisory Board Members present were Members Greg Johnson, Gene Svensen, and Jeff Kupfer. Absent was Chairperson Pat Lodes.

A notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Papillion Times on June 14, 2017. Simultaneously given to the members of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of the notice are attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated, in advance notice, to the members of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to attendance of the public. Further, all the subjects included in said proceedings were contained in the agenda for inspection within ten working days after said meeting, prior to the convened meeting of said body.

CALL TO ORDER

Director Stopak called the meeting to order.

Stopak led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Stopak made an announcement of the location of the posted copy of the Open Meetings Act for public reference and read the Emergency Procedures Statement.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Director Stopak asked for a motion to approve the Minutes and Program Information from the May 17, 2017 meeting. Motion made by Member Johnson. Seconded by Member Svensen. All Aye. Motion carried.

2. REPORTS FROM RECREATION DIRECTOR AND STAFF

Assistant Director Karlson reported on special programs, events and the Senior Center.

- Karlson mentioned that the current food service vendor for the senior center would change to Treat America starting on July 1.
- Went over program information as submitted.
- Member Kupfer asked how long does the food service contract last?
 1. Karlson stated the contract lasts several years.
- Our new program “Book Time for Adults” is continuing to grow as Ms. Marjie Shaw.

Denny Dinan, Recreation Dept. discussed youth and adult sports, and special events.

- Went over program information as submitted.

Ryan South, Program Coordinator discussed special events.

- Went over program information as submitted. Also added a thanks to Jeff Thornburg and the entire PW staff for their excellent work during the annual Triple Crown SlumpBuster Tournament.

- Jeff Thornburg, Parks Foreman, updated the Board Members on current activities within the Parks Department.
 - Stated the La Vista Public Works Department is assisting Bellevue and Papillion with storm cleanup.
 1. Member Johnson asked how much damage the City received from the storm. Jeff stated we did not receive as much as others did.

- Scott Stopak, Recreation Director
 - Thanked the Parks Department for getting the pool ready for the season.
 - Stated the attendance for May 2017 at the pool was the highest it has ever been.
 - Mentioned that our pool manager is a returning employee from 2 years ago and that we hired 2 new assistant managers.
 - Mentioned Swim Lessons have been going well and that we are wrapping up Session #2 and will be starting Session #3 and our Evening Session soon.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

None.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Member Johnson asked if there has been any concern about losing pool attendance once the new Multi-Sport Complex opens and we close our pool. Also, asked if there has been any discussion of installing a splash pad closer to the neighborhood. Stated pool attendance seems to be high over the past several years and would hate to lose swimmers.
 1. Stopak responded by stating that there is an internal committee who has discussed these items and will be looking to address them as we move forward with the project.

Member Svensen motioned for adjournment. Seconded by Member Kupfer. All ayes. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:18 p.m.