

City of La Vista
Park & Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes
November 20, 2019

A meeting of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee for the City of LaVista convened in open and public session at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 20, 2019. Present was Recreation Director Scott Stopak, Asst. Recreation Director David Karlson, Program Coordinator Denny Dinan, Admin. Asst. Sue Tangeman, Public Works Parks Superintendent Jason Allen, Advisory Board Chairperson Pat Lodes, Members Greg Johnson, Jonathan Jameson, and Jeff Kupfer. Absent was Member Nick Moyer and Program Coordinator Ryan South.

A notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Papillion Times on November 13, 2019. 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 Scott 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. Stopak asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the October 16, 2019 meeting. Motion made by Member Kupfer, Seconded by Chairperson Lodes. All aye. Motion carried.

2. REPORTS FROM RECREATION DIRECTOR AND STAFF

David Karlson, Asst. Recreation Director

We had 1,191 seniors participate in activities last month at the community center. The Senior Meal Site program served 140 meals, and our Senior Volunteer program had three seniors volunteer a total of 67 hours.

Tai Chi had 200 participants in September and Senior Chair Volleyball had 56 participants.

Bridge Club & Pitch had 67 participants, Senior Bingo had 82 participants, and the Quilting Club had 81 participants.

The monthly Senior Care Clinic met two times last month and performed basic foot care and blood pressure checks for 16 seniors.

On Wednesday, October 13, we had a Mayor's Potluck Luncheon with 47 seniors attending. After lunch, Merry-maker's performer Joe Taylor performed.

The Senior Movie Outing for September was cancelled due to the bus having mechanical problems.

For the Donut Society outing, we had nine seniors join us in visiting the combination Dunkin' Donuts and Baskin Robbins at 168th & Giles.

Events

Halloween Safe Night had over 1,200 people attend. Member Lodes asked how many vendors gave out candy at the event? Karlson stated that they had 29 vendors.

Karlson reminded the Board that the Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration would be on Monday, December 2nd, beginning with the tree lighting at 5:45pm south of the City Hall.

Denny Dinan, Program Coordinator

Pre-School Play Time

October counts:

Adults = 182 Daily average = 20

Children = 232 Daily average = 26

Total Oct = 414 Daily average = 46 Total Play Time days = 9

Total Sep = 289 Daily average = 36 Total Play Time days = 8

Youth Sports:

The Youth Coed Flag Football season finished up on October 5.

Youth Soccer Clinic, Academy & League finished their season on October 13.

Youth Volleyball practices started on Thursday, October 10. Games started on Saturday Nov 2. We have 33 kids signed up with 2 - 3rd/4th grade teams and 2 - 5th/6th grade teams. We partnered with the BJSA (Bellevue Junior Sports Association) again this year, and games are being played at their facility by Bellevue East High School.

Youth Basketball League registrations will continue until November 23, and games will begin the 1st weekend in January.

Youth Basketball Clinic registration will continue until December 28, and the clinic will start on January 11 and run for 5 weeks on Saturday mornings.

Adult Sports:

Adult Women's Fall Volleyball has played 8 games of a 12 game schedule.

The Adult Fall Softball **season** finished up on October 13.

Events:

The Metro Wolves Girls Socctoberfest Soccer Tournament is October 17–19 with 71 teams. The Metro Wolves Boys Socctoberfest Soccer Tournament will be October 25–26 and has 77 teams.

B. AQUATIC FACILITY PRESENTATION

Jeff Bartley with Waters Edge Aquatic Design (WEAD) gave a presentation to the Board on the proposed plans for a new pool, and answered a few questions from the Board. Jeff explained that following the Park & Recreation Advisory Board meeting, there is a public open house at the Community Center to display and explain to those that attend the proposal of the new pool. They will have the proposed designs displayed, as well as pictures of the current pool, and will be available to answer any questions.

Member Kupfer asked about the tennis courts being taken out. Stopak said the plans are to re-locate them to another site. Kupfer also asked if that expense was included in the pool budget estimate and Stopak said no, it was not.

Member Johnson commented that in the years that they have talked about a new pool, it was never said that it couldn't be left in the same location because there was going to be an underpass. He wondered why it has to be in a different location now.

City Administrator Brenda Gunn gave the Board the background on why Central Park was chosen as a proposed site for the new pool, why the present site is not ideal and where financing would come from to pay for it.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

None.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

None.

Member Jameson motioned for adjournment. Seconded by Chairperson Lodes. All ayes. Motion carried. Adjourned at 6:50 p.m.