

**PARK DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS
PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
JUNE 2, 2015**

ROLL CALL

The Board of Park Commissioners met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 2, 2015, in the Choice Health & Fitness community room, 4401 - 11th Avenue South, at 5:00 p.m. Present were President Panzer, Vice-President LaDouceur, Commissioners Barta, Skarperud, and Soeby.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY 4, 2015

A motion was made by Commissioner Skarperud to approve the minutes from the May 4, 2015 Board meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Soeby; the vote was unanimous, motion carried.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA

None.

DELEGATES TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD

None.

FOR DISCUSSION

None.

FOR ACTION

Veterans Memorial Park New Location

Director Palmiscno addressed the Board on the history of Veterans' Memorial Park. The Board had previously heard the first and second reading to rename Richard's West Park to Grand Forks County Veterans' Memorial Park at the November 6, 2012 and December 4, 2012 Board Meetings. The Veterans' Park Committee would like to change the location of the Grand Forks County Veterans' Memorial Park to the land located at 24th Avenue South and 34th Street South and to have the official name be Veterans' Memorial Park. John Hansen, Veterans Park Committee and Brad Gengler, Planning and Community Development Department City of Grand Forks attended to offer information.

A motion was made by Commissioner LaDouceur to keep Richard's West name at its current location at 4700 6th Avenue North. Seconded by Commissioner Barta; the vote was unanimous, motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Barta to approve naming the land at 24th Avenue South and 34th Street South to Veterans' Memorial Park. Seconded by Commissioner Skarperud; the vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Scheels Sports Complex Construction Bids

Director Palmiscno presented the Board with the bid tabulation sheet for the Scheels Sports Complex project. Matti Roinila from ICON Architects was in attendance to answer questions.

The Grand Forks Parks and Recreation Foundation has collected approximately \$193,000 in cash to date. This excludes any in-kind donations. The total remaining pledges as of today are \$335,000.

Palmiscno is recommending accepting bid package #1, the fencing bid package from Dakota Fence for \$196,380 with the understanding that a change order will reduce the cost of the fencing bid package by \$42,200. In addition, staff is recommending rejecting the utilities/concrete bid package #1 category 2, all other items of bid package #1.

A motion was made by Commissioner Soeby to reject Bid Package #1, category #2 - Utilities/Concrete Construction Bid. Seconded by Commissioner LaDouceur; the vote was unanimous, motion carried.

A motion was made by Commission LaDouceur to accept the Bid Package #1 - Category 1 Fencing Base Bid from Dakota Fence for \$196,380 with the understanding that a change order will be issued to reduce the cost of the fencing bid by \$42,200. Seconded by Commissioner Barta; the vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Purpur Compressor Repairs

Palmiscno addressed the Board on the proposal from Midwest Refrigeration for the Purpur Arena compressor repairs. The cost would be \$144,950. The Board gave the go ahead at the May 4, 2015 meeting to order the repairs due to the long lead-time needed for the equipment. Staff is recommending approving a transfer of \$144,950 from the General Fund to the C & B Fund to cover the cost of these repairs.

A motion was made by Commissioner Barta to approve the transfer of \$144,950 from the General Fund to the C & B Fund to cover the Purpur Compressor Repairs. Seconded by Commissioner Soeby; the vote was unanimous, motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Superintendent Hellyer reviewed the April 30, 2015 financial reports.

BILLS TO BE APPROVED FOR MAY 2015

A motion was made by Commissioner LaDouceur to approve the bills for May 2015 in the amount of \$1,075,855.07. Seconded by Commissioner Skarperud; the vote was unanimous, motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

Superintendent Hellyer addressed the Board on three topics: the Pension Plan actuarial valuation has been completed and is 91% funded, the City of Grand Forks Mill Valuation is estimated to be 193,326.00, and 2015 State Legislative Session information on the Property Tax Mill Consolidations that pertain to Park Districts throughout the state.

Choice Health & Fitness General Manager, Mike Orr, reported that memberships are strong and currently meeting budget. He updated the Board on the success of the Dewey Duathlon and stated that summer programs begin the week of June 8, 2015.

Director Palmiscno reported on the upcoming events within the Park District. He also updated the Board on a memorial bench for Jim Bollman who served as a Park District Commissioner for 16 years and passed away at the end of May. The bench will be located at King's Walk Golf Course near the putting green.

Palmiscno added the Park District is checking on prices for a sound fence that would be located on the east side of ICON Sports Center. The purpose would be to reduce the amount of compressor noise that reaches the nearby neighborhood.

Palmiscno also gave an update on the conference call with the concession consultant.


BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS

Commissioner Barta made a statement thanking the late Jim Bollman for his service as a commissioner and offering condolences to his family. He stated that Bollman's advice and encouragement were the reason he chose to run for Park Commissioner.


Commissioners Soeby and LaDouceur also expressed their thanks for Bollman's service.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner LaDouceur at 5:32 p.m. to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Soeby; the vote was unanimous, motion carried.



Bill Palmiscno, Clerk



Jay Panzer, President