

COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

April 15, 2011

Present: Arvin Van Zante, Rich Schulte, Chad Vande Lune, Chad Klein, Lauri Amelse, John Roslien & James Hibma.

Visitors: Joella Gerber

Staff: Chandler Nunnikhoven, Jenny Hesselstine, Mallary Herring & Brenda Ross

John made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 25 meeting. This was seconded by Chad VL.

Visitor Joella Gerber will be officially appointed to the board at the City Council meeting on April 19th. Joella will be representing Pella High School.

Brinkhoff Park Update

Chad Vande Lune made a presentation to the Pella Historical Trust regarding the Windmill in Brinkhoff Park. Chad is submitting all the prices to Marlyn Rietveld-Ebbers, who is writing a grant for \$5000 to the Marion County Community Foundation. The \$5000 would cover half of the cost associated with the renovation of the windmill. Jim Brandl, Marlin Rietveld-Embers, Chad Vande Lune and Chandler Nunnikhoven will be the core team who will work on promoting the project on the radio and in various newspapers, finding volunteers to work on it and a place to do the work. Current plans are to have a renovated windmill back before Tulip Time 2012.

Proposed Park in Fountain Hills

Larry & Rosie De Vries talked to staff about donating land and money for a park in the new phase of Fountain Hills. The land to be donated is approximately 1.17 acres with room for parking. Larry and Rosie would like to see the park completed in 2012. Funding of the park is a crucial element, but some potential partnerships do exist. The board would like to see the park be ADA accessible which would mean a solid surface bottom, possibly with a fountain and benches. The playground could take on many forms not limited to a natural, traditional equipment or a themed playground.

Room Rental

The board was asked the following questions: Do we need to keep both room 200 & 201 as meeting rooms which are rented out? Should we make one room available to USP to lease on a yearly basis? This will be address at the next meeting.

Pool Changes

May 13 will be Jan's last day and a retirement party is planned for 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Aquatic Center.

The City has contracted with Ellis and Associates to provide comprehensive aquatic risk management for both aquatic facilities. The City of Pella is the first municipality in Iowa to be certified through them. The following are changes that will be made:

1. New licensure for all lifeguards
2. 10/20 principal: 10 seconds to identify/20 seconds to respond
3. Ellis and Associates will perform safety audits four times a year.
4. A dummy drop will be done 8 times a month to perform vigilance awareness testing on guards.

5. Pool checks will happen at 3:00 and 5:00 pm for 10 minutes. Everyone will have to be out of the water during these checks.
6. New pool hours are Monday – Friday 1:00 to 7:00 pm, Saturday 1:00 to 6:00 & Sunday 1:00 to 5:00 pm.
7. Swim tests will be required for anyone under the age of (TBD) to use the deep end, along with meeting the height requirement.
8. All guards will wear t-shirts and hat or visors.
9. Rentals will be limited due to new hours.

These changes will inevitably bring questions from patrons. Staff asked the board to help in spreading the word of these changes in a positive light and helping with community education as they get questions from residents.

Next meeting will be Friday, May 20 at noon in the Community Center Room 200. At this meeting, the group will begin to develop more specific goals within the vision statement. Chad K made motion to adjourn, seconded by Rich. Meeting adjourned at 1:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted:
Brenda Ross
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