

**CITY OF MOORHEAD  
PARK ADVISORY BOARD  
Meeting Minutes  
Monday, April 20, 2010  
Hjemkomst Center  
202 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North  
Moorhead, Minnesota 56560**

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Moorhead Park Advisory Board (PAB) was held at Heritage Hjemkomst Center, 202 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North, Moorhead, Minnesota, on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 2010.

**Members Present:** Randy Bach, Heidi Durand, Ron Schneider, Rick Stotts, Council Member Mark Altenburg,

**Members Absent:** Lila Hazemann, Council Member Alternate Brenda Elmer

**Others Present:** Larry Anderson, Parks/Forestry Manager; Holly Heitkamp, Recreation Division Manager; Karen Stremick, Office Specialist, Barry Warren, Recreation Facility Coordinator

**Visitors Present:** Gary Peterson, 4508 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Moorhead; Kate Gronewich, 3315 17<sup>th</sup> Street South #306, Fargo; Mark Hintemeyer

**2. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS / INTRODUCTIONS**

None

**3. MINUTES**

Stotts motioned to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2010 PAB Meeting, the motion was seconded by Bach. All votes were in favor; the motion carried.

**4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Gary Peterson representing "Riding on Angels Wings" requested the use of the bike trails for a fundraiser. A vote will be required for this request. This item will be added to the Agenda.

**5. AGENDA AMENDMENTS**

Add Item 6a to Agenda to hear request by "Riding on Angels Wings".

**6a. RIDING ON ANGELS WINGS FUNDRAISER**

Gary Peterson representing the organization "Riding on Angels Wings" was present to request the use of park land and bike trails in the downtown area of Moorhead for a horse trail ride fundraiser called *Ride the Red*. *Ride the Red* will be held on June 19, 2010 from approximately 10:00am – 3:00pm and may have up to 100 riders participating. The organization would provide clean up that followed the ride. "Riding on Angels Wings" is a non-profit group that works with children with special needs and provides therapy through riding horseback. The group has already obtained permission from Fargo Parks for the use of their trails. Most of the ride will take place on the Fargo side of the river; however, they would like to stage the event in Woodlawn Park and ride through the downtown trails before crossing the river into Fargo.

Altenberg made a motion to approve usage of Moorhead park land and bike trails as proposed by "Riding on Angels Wings" for their charity fundraiser Ride the Red, on June 19, 2010, between the hours of 9:00am and 4:00pm. The motion was seconded by Durand. All votes were in favor, the motion passed.

**6b. PROPOSED HOCKEY ARENA AIR QUALITY LEGISLATION**

Barry Warren, Recreation Facility Coordinator at the Moorhead Sports Center, was present to inform the PAB and answer questions pertaining to proposed state legislation regarding indoor arena air quality. The legislation is a result of claims that the air quality in indoor ice arenas has caused health problems for participants in the arena. If passed, the legislation would greatly reduce the current air quality requirements, require arenas to install approved air monitoring systems, require ice resurfacing machinery (Zamboni's) to be electric by 2015, and stringent requirements/permits would be required to operate combustion engines within arenas. Staff will notify PAB of the progress of this bill through the legislative process.

**7. DEMOGRAPHICS OF MOORHEAD'S SCHOOL AGED YOUTH**

PAB received information on the demographics of Moorhead's school aged youth. The neighborhood boundaries have changed since the last demographic was run so the changes may not be true representations of trends. Staff plans to run report again in three years using current boundaries. Staff hopes to use this information as an aid in future park planning and development.

**8. PROPOSED CHANGES TO PARKS & RECREATION PROCEDURAL HANDBOOK**

Staff proposed changes/additions to the following sections in the Parks and Recreation Procedural Handbook:

Section 3.4 Cart Policy-Addition of the requirement for golfers to sign a liability waiver when checking out golf carts

Section 2.5A Senior Connections (new)-Addition of rules and restrictions when using city owned computers in Senior Computer Lab

Section 2.2I Athletic Field Usage (new)-Procedures for renting City owned facilities and fields that are also leased by various user groups

Section 1.1B Sound Permits-Restriction of sound permits in neighborhood parks

Section 1.2C Facility Reservations-Addition of not allowing rental of a neighborhood park building on City observed holidays

Appendix G-Addition of participant Registration Form

Bach made a motion to approve the proposed additions/changes to the Parks and Recreation Procedural Handbook. The motion was seconded by Stotts. All votes were in favor, the motion passed.

**9. UPDATE/INFORMATION**

a. Beverage provider approved by City Council was Coca-Cola Enterprises. Originally PAB had approved the PepsiAmericas proposal; however, it was later determined that the Coke proposal was more profitable.

c. The proposed location of the Log Cabin, by the water tower in Woodlawn Park, may be denied by Moorhead Public Service due to easement requirements for water tower maintenance.

Chair Schneider adjourned the meeting

Respectfully submitted by:



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