

NELSON COUNTY PARK BOARD MINUTES

May 3, 2012 - 8:30 A.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Odell Flaagan with Ron Dahlen, Maynard Loibl, Don Fougner, Bert Elgin, and Ron Houdek present. Lynn Stahl was also present.

Moved by Ron Dahlen and seconded by Ron Houdek to approve the minutes as distributed. All voted "Yes." Motion carried.

Julius Wangler discussed the lack of additional grant funds for the café, the request for donations, meeting with businesses, and meeting with the architect.

There was discussion on various revenue options, cost-cutting measures, increased fees, repairing the old café, and the grant received for the restrooms in the pavilion.

Dwight Elfman discussed purchasing a deep freeze, the water heater in the campground restrooms, damage to the valance on the stage of the pavilion, tables for the pavilion, repair of the pavilion ramp, the soft café floor, the kitchen equipment from Altru, the siren at the park, and the fireworks display.

Jim Hatlestad discussed plugging in boats and the need for gravel.

Moved by Ron Houdek and seconded by Maynard to charge \$30.00 per month to plug in a boat by the bait shop. All voted "Yes." Motion carried.

Cleaning up around the shop was discussed.

Moved by Ron Dahlen and seconded by Don to pay the park bills as listed: Tri County Water Users - \$88.00; Nodak Electric Cooperative - \$716.00; Lakota Sanitation Service - \$6,800.00; ND Telephone Company - \$16.94; Lakota American - \$24.96; Farmers Union Lumberyard - \$6.29; Farmers Union Oil - Tolna - \$25.85; James Hatlestad - \$13.24; United Laboratories - \$1,471.97; EAPC - \$6903.07. All voted "Yes." Motion carried.

The meeting was recessed.

May 16, 2012 - 8:30 AM

The meeting was reconvened with Odell Flaagan, Maynard Loibl, Dan Marquart, Ron Houdek, and Bert Elgin present.

There was discussion on the meeting with the architect, donations for the café, the JDA grant, the bank loan, and meeting with the contractors.

Greg Daws expressed concerns about the viability of the proposed new café, the cost, and competition with other cafes in the county. He suggested building a café without an architect.

Jim Hatlestad requested more gravel.

The Board will meet with Alan Gleason, the contractor for the proposed new café.

The meeting was recessed.

May 23, 2012 - 8:30 AM

The meeting was reconvened with all board members present.

Patricia Kjorsvik expressed interest in operating the bait shop.

Moved by Ron Houdek and seconded by Ron Dahlen to lease the bait shop to Pat Kjorsvik. All voted "Yes." Motion carried.

Julius Wrangler reported that the JDA will loan \$50,000.00 for the proposed café at 2% interest.

Alan Gleason and Ralph Miller discussed numerous cost-cutting measures for the construction of the proposed new café.

Bob Engen discussed the cost of his bank's expansion and financial concerns that he has in the proposed new café.

Julius Wrangler discussed possible options for a bank loan.

There was discussion on the outcome of Measure 2, furnishing for the new café, possible fund-raisers, the condition of the old café, a business plan to pay back the proposed loan, a bar auction in Brocket, and a soft serve ice cream maker.

The meeting was recessed.

May 25, 2012 - 9:00 AM

The meeting was reconvened with all board members present.

Ralph Miller, Gleason Construction, reviewed construction costs on the proposed new café on the speaker phone. Various cost-cutting options were discussed.

There was discussion on the total café cost, grants, and the park budget.

The restrooms at the pavilion and the amount of time the part-time employee is to work were discussed.

Patricia Kjorsvik informed the board that she is unable to operate the bait shop.

The meeting was recessed.

May 29, 2012 - 9:00 AM

The meeting was reconvened with all board members present.

Ralph Miller reviewed the updated construction costs with various options.

Dwight discussed a small building that may become available, informing the public of grants, and the mess caused by rain at the café.

Wayne Dietrich, architect, discussed the construction options and the architectural fees on speaker phone.

Mitch and Naomi Trostad and their son Bryce are interested in operating the bait shop. Other campers near the bait shop are willing to help also.

Dwight discussed no overnight camping by the fishing pier and the new water heater in the restroom.

The meeting was adjourned.

W.J. Davidson, Secretary

Odell Flaagan, Chairman