

LaRiviere Park Advisory Committee Minutes
Conference Room #2
Jan 16, 2013

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Motion by Mike Mara, second by Dick Martin, to certify that open meeting requirements were met. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mike Mara, second by Duane Nagle, to correct the published minutes of the Nov 15, 2012 meeting--paragraph nine to read: "A memorial tree in honor of Craig Martin's dedication to the Park has been planted by the PdC Rod and Gun Club *and the Brisbois Archery Club*". Motion carried.

Motion made by Duane Nagle, second by Mike Mara to approve the published minutes, as corrected. Motion carried.

Monthly Expenses and Budget Review

Mike Ulrich provided budget report reflecting unexpended 2012 fund of \$491.44. Motion by Duane Nagle, second by Mike Mara, to accept the budget report as provided. Motion carried. Motion by Mike Mara, second by Duane Nagle, to approve \$450 of the unexpended 2012 funds to the park sign replacement and upgrade project.

LaRiviere Riders

- i) David Shihata, president of the LaRiviere Riders reported:
 - a. The Park Riders preliminary income/expenses for 2012. Final report to be provided at the Feb meeting.
 - b. The Park Riders would like to renew the lease with the corrections and modifications discussed at the earlier meeting. Dean Achenbach has referred the lease to City Administrator Aaron Kramer for modifications.
 - c. The Park Riders are again planning an open house weekend, and two "Appreciation Weekend" rides.

Trail Signage Mike Ulrich is pricing new signs that will co-ordinate with other park signage. LaRiviere Park Committee preference is to use standardized park signage during routine replacement. Mike Ulrich will check on signs available for government entities.

Trail mapping Marty Larson provided a preliminary trail map that he created using GPS mapping technology. Everyone was pleased and a coordinated effort will be made to develop a comprehensive trail signage strategy.

Nature Center Display Dennis Kirschbaum reported that many of the “mounts” are in poor condition and need to be disposed of. A local community group has indicated a use for them in their haunted house project. Dennis will prepare the paperwork to properly transfer ownership of the mounts. Some other display items need to be updated.

Free Firewood Dennis Kirschbaum reported that the firewood program citizens have cleaned up most of the available trimmings.

Hazard Trees Three Hazard trees should be dropped and removed. Mike Ulrich will advise the City Crews so that they may schedule the removal.

Prairie Burns Three prairie burns are planned...scheduling depends upon weather and the availability of the fire department. Dennis Kirschbaum will coordinate the effort. Motion to approve the planned burns by Mike Mara, second by Marty Larson. Motion carried.

Department of Corrections Work Crew The DOC has advised of increased cost of the work crew. Motion by Duane Nagle, second by Mike Mara, to approve up to \$600 for DOC work, primarily on invasive species removal and trail work.

Items or events to be added to the park calendar Bird walks; 4/27, 5/4, 5/11 Timber doodle Event; Date to be determined. Park Riders open house; 5/11, Appreciation weekends; 6/21-6/22 and Labor Day weekend.

Items for future consideration and information

Dennis Kirschbaum reported volunteer hours totaled 283 and community service work of 20 hours.

Meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
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