

Parks Team Meeting Report June 12, 2019

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Present: Sacajawea Center Director Lin Gray, Parks Supervisor Gordon Stephenson, Cemetery Grounds Staff Lenard Hatch, Council Members Neal James, Fred Waidely and Jim Bockelman.

Lin gave an overview of what was going on and coming to the center. Many events and programs are and will be happening. The Lewis and Clark Trail Committee will be at the site June 13th. They have given the Center funding. Most recent being for new signage, a project that is still a work in progress. Mike Simpson's office called and said that someone from his staff would be in town June 17th and wanted to come see the Center. Lin was not sure what the interest was there yet, but will see.

Lin brought up the fence issue at the Center and would like to deal with the financial part of it next fiscal year. It was mentioned that the cost could be more of a capital item than one from the budget. There was discussion as to all those involved, who was paying for what, the type of fence to be built and mentioned that City Clerk Mary Benton was working on the issue.

Concerning the Police Building; if the building becomes available for Center use Lin discussed possible plans for its use and would like to have it available to her.

Gordon and Lenard reported on the Parks and the Cemetery. The cemetery is looked good and was in good shape for Memorial Day. The parks are looking good as well. There are baseball and softball games and events going on and getting started. The annual Little League tournament happened last weekend. There are golf tournaments going on most weekends. The equipment is working good and most of the wind blow down debris has been taken care of. Lenard said that the sprinkler problems have been fixed. The park meeting was held at the small pavilion at the park near the pool and the pool was up and going with lots of kids and looking good. Lin asked about a herbicide that would work on cheatgrass and was given some options. Jim asked about the cigarette butt problem at the softball fields that was discussed in the past. Gordon said that cans with sand could be used, but they haven't got to it yet. Jim mentioned that there is a pothole at the entrance to the park off the street that he should have brought up during the Public Work meeting but forgot. Fred said he would talk to Harry Shanafelt. Fred also mentioned that the pole fencing around the park is in need of paint. Gordon said it was on the list of things to do. Also the Rotary Pavilions need some paint work as well, it was suggested that maybe the Mayor could pass that on.

The Kid's Creek Park toilet is scheduled to be replaced by the Fish and Game due to sub-water leaking into the vault. Gordon said that the subbing in has not been a problem so far this year. Jim has not been able to get with Fish and Game representative concerning the agreement between the City and the Fish and Game. And the "Welcome to Salmon" monument is still in need of repair.