

**Parks Team Meeting Report July 10th, 2019** Submitted by Jim Bockelman

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

**Lin** said that July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend was busy and things are plugging along. A recent program had 70 attendees which was nice. The upper hay field has been hayed with the lower still needing to be done. The current haying agreement will expire this year. Nothing has been heard on the fencing problem. There have been zero incursions of wandering bovine this year, Lin thinks that the places where the cows were slipping thru has been found and corrected.

**Gordon and Lenard reported** that the Parks and the Cemetery are also plugging along. Some of the fence rails have been painted on the park perimeter fencing and the rotted rails at the small pavilion have been removed. Lenard said that the cemetery grass was looking bad due to watering problems which will soon be corrected. Lenard asked if an additional part time cemetery employee was included in the upcoming budget. His concerns are that he may not be working there for much longer and would like to be the person that trains his replacement. He was advised to get with his supervisor and discuss his intentions. Jim acquired and gave to Gordon signage and buckets to address the cigarette butt problem at the softball fields and anywhere else that Gordon thought there was a need. Jim stated that it was brought to his attention that there was problems with cracking in the surface of the tennis courts. The team looked and there is indeed cracking that needs repairing. There is also cracking at the basketball court too. Some research needs to happen as to what is available to fill the cracking and maintain the integrity on the surface. Jim walked Island Park and there is a need to do some work on a portion of the pathway on the southwest end of the park. There is also some more rip-rap work that should be addressed on the north end. Gordon brought up that the very beginning of the sidewalk going from Pole Line Rd up to the Innovation Center needs to be looked at and corrected. The problem is the sidewalk begins several inches above the ground level. Fred stated that he has been working on getting solar light that would work in the lighting of the walking bridge at Island Park. He said he thinks he has found one that could work. Gordon said that there is still a bit of work to fill in around the new picnic table pads at Veteran's Park. Jim and Neal took a short tour of the swimming pool. We have a very good asset to the community in the pool and should make sure that it is in the best of condition.

**The Kid's Creek Park** toilet is still scheduled to be replace by the Fish and Game due to sub-water leaking into the vault. Gordon said that it needed pumping the other day which was done. And the "Welcome to Salmon" monument is still in need of repair.