

City of La Vista
Park & Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes
January 15, 2020

A meeting of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee for the City of LaVista convened in open and public session at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 15, 2020. Present was Recreation Director Scott Stopak, Asst. Recreation Director David Karlson, Admin. Asst. Sue Tangeman, Public Works Parks Foreman, Advisory Board Chairperson Pat Lodes, Jeff Kupfer and Nick Moyer. Absent was Program Coordinator Denny Dinan.

A notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Papillion Times on January 8, 2020. Simultaneously given to the members of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of the notice are attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated, in advance notice to the members of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to attendance of the public. Further, all the subjects included in said proceedings were contained in the agenda for inspection within ten working days after said meeting, prior to the convened meeting of said body.

CALL TO ORDER

Director Scott Stopak called the meeting to order.

Stopak led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Stopak made an announcement of the location of the posted copy of the Open Meetings Act for public reference and read the Emergency Procedures Statement.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Stopak asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the December 18, 2019 meeting. Motion made by Chairperson Lodes. Seconded by Member Kupfer. All aye. Motion carried.

2. REPORTS FROM RECREATION DIRECTOR AND STAFF

Scott Stopak, Recreation Director

Stopak informed the Board Members that Member Greg Johnson is no longer on the Advisory Board, as he decided not to renew his position on the Board. Jonathan Jameson is also no longer on the Board, as he is moving out of the area and is ineligible to be a Board Member. We are in the process of finding two new people who would be interested in volunteering to be an Advisory Board Member.

Stopak discussed the pool concept and said it would be presented to the City Council most likely in March.

Stopak also informed the Board that all the job descriptions were presented and passed by the City Council, and that we have some name changes, and the position of Senior Services Manager would be hired in the near future. David Karlson would return to his original duties as Assistant Director. Ryan South is now Operations Manager and Denny Dinan is Youth & Adult Sports Manager. The part-time staff, which is now referred to as Recreation Supervisors, will be renamed Recreation Attendants.

Chairperson Lodes asked if Karlson would be giving up all the Senior duties. Stopak said yes, he would. Lodes told Karlson that he has done a great job in the interim, and hopefully we can find someone who will continue to do it as well.

David Karlson, Asst. Recreation Director

1,559 seniors participate in activities last month at the community center.

Senior Meal Site program served **145** meals; **Senior Volunteer** program had **4** seniors volunteer a total of **33 hours**.

Tai Chi had **145** participants.

Senior Chair Volleyball had 55 participants.

Bridge Club & Pitch had 92 participants; **Senior Bingo** had **56** participants.

Senior Quilting Club had **54** participants.

Senior Care Clinic met two times last month and performed basic foot care and blood pressure checks for **16** seniors.

Merrymaker's performers "The Links" performed to **15 seniors**.

We took two **Holiday Lights Tours** with a total of 22 seniors to see the lights in La Vista.

9 seniors joined us to see the **Gingerbread House** displays sponsored by the Mormon Church.

Our annual **Holiday lunch with the Mayor** had 45 seniors attend. For the second year in a row, a "Secret Santa" donated \$180.00 to pay for everybody's lunch.

Our Senior **Quilting Club** has a dozen quilts displayed in the Community Center through the month of January.

Jason Allen, Park Superintendent

Allen discussed the Eberle-Waldon Park renovation, and that it was completely finished with the exception of installing a table and bench at the park.

Allen also discussed staffing changes at the Parks Department, and the possibility of a purchase of a trailer that can be used in many ways. The current trailer is used for snow removal, so it prohibits the use in the parks during the winter months.

Kupfer asked about stumps that were painted different colors on the trails. Allen explained that they painted them as to identify them for grinding and mulching later.

Denny Dinan, Program Coordinator

Dinan was absent from the meeting, however, he sent along his information for the Board to review.

Pre-School Play Time

December counts:

Adults = 134 Daily average = 17

Children = 206 Daily average = 26

Total Dec = 340 Daily average = 43 Total Play Time days = 8

Total Nov = 384 Daily average = 55 Total Play Time days = 7

Adult Women's Volleyball Fall league ends on January 8. The winter session starts on January 15 and has 8 teams and the season will play a 12 game schedule.

Youth Basketball League games started on January 11 and will run through February with a tournament to follow. The La Vista Community Center is schedule for basketball games Saturdays from 10:00 AM through 5:00PM and on Sundays from 1:30 through 6:00PM.

Youth Basketball Clinic for grades 1 & 2 starts on Saturday, January 11 from 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM and will run for 5 weeks. We have 49 boys and girls participating in the clinic this year. We have 6 volunteers from the Police Department who are coaching the clinic.

Spring Programs:

Registrations are now being accepted for the following youth programs:

- Boy's Baseball
- Co-Ed Flag Football
- Youth Soccer Clinic, Academy and League
- Girls Softball
- Coed T-ball

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

None.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

None.

Member Kupfer motioned for adjournment. Seconded by Chairperson Lodes. All ayes. Motion carried.
Adjourned at 6:20 p.m.