

City of LaVista
Park & Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes
November 28, 2007

A meeting of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee for the City of LaVista convened in open and public session at 7:00 p.m. on November 28, 2007. Present were Recreation Director Scott Stopak, Chairperson Greg Johnson, Chris Kuehner, Randy Cahill, George Forst. Absent: John Vendetti.

A notice of the meeting was given advance thereof by publication in the Times on November 22, 2007. Simultaneously given to the members of the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of the notice is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the 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

Chairperson Johnson called the meeting to order.

Seconded by Committee Member Forst. Motion carried.

Recreation Director Stopak led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recreation Director 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

Chairperson Johnson made the motion to approve the consent agenda.

Seconded by Committee Member Kuehner. Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM RECREATION DIRECTOR AND STAFF

Recreation Director Stopak reported that the totals for the golf course will not be ready until next month, however, the numbers are larger than last year. Stopak also reported that the Recreation Dept. is in the process of interviewing for the program coordinator position which will hopefully be filled soon. A start date of late January is forecast.

Assistant Recreation Director David Karlson reported that the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony held on Monday, November 26, 2007, in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce, was a success. The La Vista Jr. High Chorus sang at the outdoor Christmas Tree, while the community witnessed Santa lighting the star atop the tree. Indoors, chorus's from the local elementary schools, Sue's Stepperettes and the Papillion-La Vista High School instrumental band entertained visitors while Santa talked to the children.

There was also a Soup & Chili supper at which over 200 bowls of soup were served. A \$1 donation was asked for charity.

Program Director Carstensen stated that Santa's Calling on Tuesday, December 11th and Wednesday, December 12th to all the kids who are signed up. Santa will call between 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. on either day. There is no charge for this program. Carstensen also reported that the Senior Bus program is going well, with two drivers, Louis Carter and Cary Potter hired as permanent drivers for La Vista.

B. SWIMMING POOL

Director Stopak commented that this will continue to be on the agenda to give the public a chance to speak on the subject. Also, the city-wide survey has gone out in the mail. When all surveys are back, the information will be gathered. The data on the pool will be reported to the aquatic committee and they will give a recommendation to the council.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

No comments.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chairperson Johnson stated that it seemed like the youth basketball registrations were down. Asst. Director Karlson said that they are on the same track as last year. Last year the only age group that didn't play was 5/6 grade girls, and that was due to no one volunteering to coach. So far this year, we have girls signed up, but no one has volunteered to coach again.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Johnson made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Chairperson Cahill.
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.