

RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
CITY OF TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES, NEW MEXICO
REGULAR MEETING

January 5, 2010

TIME & PLACE The Recreation Advisory Board of the City of Truth or Consequences, New Mexico met in Regular Session in full conformity with the law and ordinances of said Board at the Recreation Department Building, 2800 S. Broadway, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, on Tuesday the 5th of January, 2010 at 6:00 PM.

PRESIDING OFFICER: The meeting was called to order by Greg D'Amour, Chairman, and Judy Harris acted as secretary of the meeting.

ATTENDANCE: Upon calling the roll the following members were reported present:

Greg D'Amour, Chairman
Carole Wheeler, Member
Julie Durham, Member
Millie McLeod, Member

Also Present:

Bobby Allen
Maggie Allen
Chuck Wentworth, Sentinel
Mary Jo Fahl
Bud Harrelson
Chris Pappas
Ina Wolfe, Finance Officer
Ed Ragsdale, Recreation Director
Judy Harris, Deputy City Clerk
Robert Hupp, Information Systems Specialist

Absent:

Nola Kent, DWI Coordinator

QUORUM: There being a quorum present the Board proceeded with the business at hand.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Greg D'Amour, Chairman, called for approval of the Agenda.

“Carole Wheeler moved to approve the agenda as presented.”

Seconded by Millie McLeod.
Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Greg D'Amour, Chairman, called for approval of the Minutes of the Regular meeting held Tuesday, December 01, 2009.

“Millie McLeod moved to approve the amended minutes as presented.”

Seconded by Carole Wheeler.
Motion carried unanimously.

COMMENTS
FROM THE
PUBLIC:

Chris Pappas spoke about the Tennis Courts. She stated that the Tennis Courts are deteriorating and that she hopes the monies are not going for “other” things.

Bobby Allen mentioned that the money can not be spent for anything other than the Park System, Recreation and the Civic Center.

There was concern that monies for the Magistrate Courts for heating and cooling had come out of the Recreation loan, it was explained that the monies for the Magistrate Court came out of Facility Maintenance.

Chris also mentioned that she has seen kids using the new Basketball goals, and that they don’t seem to be making a mess.

Security Cameras:

Mary Jo Fahl spoke of concerns with Security Cameras at the Veterans Park and Museum.

Bob Hupp said the building was wired for Cameras, both inside and outside. Hupp stated the City had a quote from the same vendor to provide the security cameras; this is the same vendor the City has been using for other security cameras through-out the City. Bob said that the verbal okay had previously been given to this vendor to order the material and go ahead with the install. It was discovered the funding for the grant was incorrect and the project was delayed. Bob said that the building was pre-wired and there is still an outstanding quote – which would have to be verified. Bob recommended two things. The first would be to provide perimeter security system as soon as funds are available. And the second, as funds become available work on monitoring the interior and exterior of the building.

Carole Wheeler asked about various systems for possible use.

Hupp explained the quote from ADT for an auto dial alarm system for exterior and interior, with wireless sensors to be mounted. The system would cost approximately \$500 dollars installed. The systems would dial approximately four different phone numbers on detection of motion.

Greg D’Amour asked what the bid was for the system.

Bob Hupp answered with approximately \$22,000 to \$23,000 to do the whole system, inside and out. Hupp will be getting other bids.

Bobby Allen explained the value of items in the Museum. Explaining items are donated, not loaned, and become City property.

Ed Ragsdale offered to pay for the \$500 for ADT Security out of the Recreation Program fund. Ragsdale, Bob Huff and Ina Wolfe will meet and work on a purchase order and attempt to have the ADT System in place as soon as possible.

DWI/Youth
Center Update

Nola Kent – Not present.

NEEDS
ASSESSMENT
SWIMMING
POOL:

Ed Ragsdale mentioned that the list of needs have not changed. He stated that he still needs the money for repairs at the Swimming Pool; the repairs must be complete prior to the opening of the Pool.

Greg suggested a Sub-Committee meet to work on Swimming Pool matters. The meeting was scheduled for January 13, 2010 at 6:30 PM.

TENNIS COURT
UPDATE:

Ed has three bids for the Tennis Court work, this project is on hold until a new City Manager is hired.

Millie mentioned that she has seen basketball players shooting hoops on the unused Tennis Courts every time she drives by.

CALENDAR OF
EVENTS:
Christmas Lights

Ed Ragsdale reported that City personnel are working to remove Christmas decorations.

Ed had found out that the Youth Center is going to be holding basketball leagues.

Baseball Fields

Ed mentioned that repairs on water/sprinkler lines were started at the Ball Fields, in preparation for the coming season.

DISCUSSION/
OTHER
BUSINESS:
Recreation Loan

Ina Wolfe was on hand to give a recap of the Recreation Loan. She issued a print out to the Board members. The loan started out approximately last April at \$1,625,537.00, and there have been four requisitions drawn for the Security Cameras at the Park, Tennis Courts and Service Center; which brings the balance of the State held loan to \$1,550,378.92. She explained that the Pool Cover Grant extension was filed and has been extended thru 2011. These funds are for design, planning and architecture. There have been no payments made and no bills have been received.

Public Input:

None

Board Vacancy:

Two persons showed interest in filling the vacancy on the Board, Buddy Montoya and Ed Williams. Both applications were handed out to the Board.

Carole also had someone who had expressed interest in applying for the vacancy. Unfortunately this person had a family emergency, and Carole had not been able to speak to him. She wondered if there was any pressure to fill the position.

Greg stated he did not have any problems waiting if that was what the board wanted to do.

Julie Durham mentioned that the vacancy had been open for

some time, and thought they should pick one of the applicants – as both had shown willingness to serve.

The Board reviewed both applications.

“Julie Durham moved to appoint Ed Williams to the Board.”
“Seconded by Greg D’Amour.”
Motion carried unanimously.

MASTER PLAN:

The Board discussed putting together a Master Plan, all members agreed that a Plan was necessary and should be done soon.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned.

APPROVAL:

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2010, on motion duly made by _____, and seconded by _____, and carried.

Greg D’Amour, Chairman