



CITY OF SPEARFISH

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Parks, Recreation, & Forestry Advisory Board

MINUTES

Monday, Nov. 16, 2009

Staff present: Keith Hepper, Alecia Hoffman, Kelly Elletson and Brett Rauterkus. Also present: Charlie Neilson, Jerry Hargis, Brian Meyer and Kris Hayes. Absent: Dillon Haug, Karen Hahn, Barb Cline, Eric Hanson, Kendra Apland and Councilmen Eric Davis and Paul Young.

1. **Rec Fall Festival** – More than 500 persons attended the SRAC Fall Festival Carnival and nearly \$1,500 was grossed in ticket sales and concessions. While the event was not quite profitable, the exposure and participation for the first-time event was considered a huge success. Additional help and organizations are wanted for next year, expanding the 25-booth operation.
(See attached Fall Festival revenue sheet.)

Annivers-A-Free Celebration Update – With some 300 persons passing through the doors of the Rec Center, nearly half were non-members checking out the facility during its “free” anniversary celebration. Cake was served, door prizes were offered and tours were given, along with class demonstrations.

Senior Games – May 14-15, 2010

2. **Food Pantry** – A plan to convert an area in the north room of the SRAC is being proposed for a new Spearfish Food Pantry site. The batting cage would need to be moved and the entrance would need to be altered for handicap accessibility. Modifications are estimated to be more than \$30,000. The organization is responsible for raising the money. The City donated \$7,000.
3. **SPRFAB terms and new board members**
(See attached document of attendance and expiration dates.)
4. **Board Member Attendance** – Kris Hayes, current president, presented a Letter of Resignation (*see attached*). She indicated she would still be available on a volunteer basis and requested continuation of email correspondence.

Items of conversation included:

- * Board members should be present at 9 of the 11 SPRFA Board meetings.
 - * Discussion of meeting times and locations – for member convenience.
 - * The role of the board is changing – due to the SRAC facility it has evolved.
- Board members should bring expertise to the cause, volunteer time and introduce fundraising efforts.

Four positions are open: Kris Hayes, Brian Meyer, Eric Hanson and Teri Royer.

Advertise in the paper for board members. Review application process (and/or) mayor appointed positions ... Ideally, someone whose family uses the Rec Center and has children involved in community functions.

Applications due 12/14/09 ... Should Kris Hayes stay on until January, 2010.

5. **Rotary Park and Memorial Benches** – Eight benches were purchased and four are installed. Grass and landscaping is done and the Rotary emblem is to be included in a 3D design on a bench.
6. **Cemetery Kiosk** – Three panels with the cemetery history will be constructed in the middle section of the cemetery near the flagpoles. The kiosk will have a guide for cemetery markers. The family donation includes concrete and benches too.
7. **Disc Golf Update** – An 18-hole course is proposed southeast of the city campground on MOU with the Game, Fish and Parks..
8. **Tree City USA application** – In its 26th year
9. **Honor Garden** – Planting continues by Maury Hill.

FYI – Police bikes are in the fenced area of the SRAC – Pat Rotert will be contacted for a proposed sale in April or May 2010. ... Yellow bike program.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT NOON MONDAY, Dec. 21, 2009, AT SRAC.

