

Neighborhood Council District 8 Meeting Minutes March 19, 2015

Meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6 pm with Karen presiding.

Council members present: Karen, Barbara, Robin and Liz.

Also in Attendance: Patty Cadwell, Jim Going, Penny Luetzen, Allyson Keller, Kayla Rowton, Joseph Petrella.

Minutes: Approval of the February 19, 2014 minutes with correction of Council reception & meeting format.

Reports: None at this time.

New Business:

- New GF Park & Rec Director Joseph Petrella presented some strategic ideas about community needs: current assessment of 20 yr. old master plan, River's Edge Trail future maintenance.
- Condition & future of Natatorium and Community Rec Center. Nat loss of funds while community rec center is doing well, both aging facilities. Better to tear both down and build one new center?
- Info from Karen on visit to SLC combined rec center, very busy and active in lower income neighborhood.
- Encourage high school students & young adults to become more involved in discussions for future needs and allocation of budget funding. Divisions of Parks/Neighborhood open areas.
- Discussion of litigation and closing of ex: sled areas in town.
- Discussion of golf courses and need of self-sustaining funds –v- city funds.
- Bigger view of community recreation; public/private partnerships for lease of parks & ball fields. Train volunteers to maintain fields.

Guest Speakers:

Better advertisement needed for life guards and rec center. Instead of hiring more college age
 employees who leave and pool closes in Aug., recruit high school student employees to keep pool open
 longer.

Old Business: None at this time.

Next meeting: April 16, 2015.

Adjourned: 7:05