

Minutes of the Game, Fish, and Parks Commission
February 6, 2020

Chairman Gary Jensen called the meeting to order at 3:00 a.m. CT at via teleconference. Commissioners Gary Jensen, Mary Anne Boyd, Jon Locken, Russell Olson, Douglas Sharp, Charles Spring, and Robert Whitmyre were present when the roll was called. It was noted that a quorum was present. Secretary Kelly Hepler was present along with 8 staff and public in Pierre, 2 staff and public in Sioux Falls and 1 staff in Rapid City, and 3 staff and public in the Watertown, and 1 staff in the Chamberlain location.

Conflict of Interest Disclosure

Chair Jensen called for conflicts of interest to be disclosed. None were presented.

Jon Kotilnek, senior staff attorney, explained the reason for the special meeting and the requirements.

Spring Creek Concession Prospectuses

Scott Simpson, parks and recreation division director, provided the Commission information on the Spring Creek Concession explaining that the Department received a signed purchase agreement from Spring Creek Ventures on January 21, 2020. Closing took place on January 31, 2020. The Department would like to solicit two concessionaires, one to operate a restaurant and one to operate the convenience store. The Parks Division will operate the cabins and the marina. In order to solicit concessionaires as per administrative rule, a prospectus must be approved by the commission. Once a prospectus is approved, it must be issued for a minimum of 30 days. The department desires to offer the prospectus as soon as possible with hopes of having both concessions operable in May.

Motion by Sharp, second by Olson TO APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF PROSPECTUSES FOR BOTH THE RESTAURANT AND CONVEIENCE STORE FOR SPRING CREEK CONCESSIONS. Roll call vote: Boyd-yes; Locken – yes; Olson- yes; Whitmyre - yes; Phillips – yes; Sharp- yes; Spring – yes; Jensen-yes. Motion passes with 8 yes votes and 0 no vote. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kelly R. Hepler, Department Secretary