

# Indianola Park and Recreation Commission

## Meeting Minutes

The Indianola Parks and Recreation Commission held a meeting on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 5:00 pm at the Memorial Park Shelter. Those present were:

Cyd Dyer  
Jessica Guthrie  
Joel Hoger  
Roger Netsch  
Kate Walton

Also present were:

Mike Bowlin  
Doug Bylund  
Jeff Lucas

### *Public Consideration/Correspondence*

None

### *Consent Items*

The consent agenda consisting of the following was approved on a motion by Netsch and seconded by Guthrie, unanimous approval.

Approve Agenda  
July 12, 2017 Minutes  
Activity Center Financial Report  
Special Revenue Financial Report

### *Support Group Reports*

**Sustainability Report:** The committee will be visited the Solar Array in Cedar Falls on August 1. They are working to coordinate transportation for students to DMACC and discussing the Sustainability Fair in April

### **Tree Committee:**

**Indianola Park Friends:** The Buxton Park Garden Party was held September 7. They are now planning for future projects they may assist with.

**Friends of Indianola Trails:** No meeting

## *Department Heads Reports*

### **Director:**

- The city's financial Fiscal year was complete June 30. The final department budget was presented with revenues \$14,495 higher than estimated and expenses \$3,818 higher than estimated.
- With the addition of Kate Walton to the Commission, it has been suggested to move her into the Park Friends representative and appoint a new member to the Tree Committee at the October meeting.
- A presentation was made evaluating the cost savings associated with converting park areas at McCord and South Parks to prairies. It was determined that for the first 4 years, the added costs would be \$2,285 with costs savings not expected until the 5<sup>th</sup> year. A motion was made by Netsch and second by Guthrie to not convert these areas to prairie and continue with the current maintenance levels, unanimous approval.
- The RFP for the Pickard Concession/Storage building will be made available following the September 18 City Council Meeting. Bids will be due on October 10.
- The Parks and Recreation Capital Improvement Plan for 2017 through 2023 was presented.

### **Recreation:**

- An Aquatic Center Season Update was presented. Season passes, admissions concessions revenues and rentals were all increased from 2016.
- The next I-Magazine will be mailed out the last week of September.

### **Parks:**

- Site preparations are underway for the Greenhouse. The contractors are scheduled to begin pouring the footings September 25.
- The parks crew in preparing for the fall maintenance season in preparation for the closing of park restrooms the week of October 15.

## *Commission Member Comments, Reports*

### *Next Meeting*

The next meeting will be Wednesday, October 11 at the Activity Center at 5:00 pm.

It was moved by Guthrie and seconded by Hoger to adjourn at 5:55 pm.