

# Indianola Park and Recreation Commission

## December 2023 Meeting Minutes

The Indianola Parks and Recreation Commission held a meeting on Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 6:00 pm at The Indianola Activity Center. Those present were:

Randy Bickham  
Kerry Koonce  
Judy Pauley  
Kathy Turnball

Also present were:

Doug Bylund  
Mike Baethke

### *Public Consideration/Correspondence*

### *Consent Items*

The consent agenda consisting of the following was approved on a motion by Turnball and second by Koonce, unanimous approval.

Approve Agenda  
Approve October 11, 2023 Minutes

### *Support Group Reports*

#### **Tree Committee:**

#### **Indianola Park Friends:**

**Indianola Wellness Campus:** Mike Baethke will be the liaison from the IWC at Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings. The Transition from the YMCA continues into Phase 3. The IWC Board of Trustees is updating Bylaws and Policies for the facility and membership.

### *Department Heads Reports*

#### **Director:**

- The Park Master Plan is nearing completion. Shannon from MSA will look to present the final draft to the Commission at the January Meeting.
- Bethay Cecot from ISU Extension is requesting expansion of the Donation Garden at the Activity Center. Information was shared as to the success of the 2023 Garden. A motion

was made by Bickham with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Turnball to accept the request from ISU Extension to expand the Donation Garden in 2024 by an area approximately 25x50 feet.

- Discussion was held regarding the proposal from Sportsmans Solutions for a sponsorship agreement at Pickard Park. The Commission asked staff to inquire about bidding requirements and request an addendum to the contract of a minimum base amount of sponsorship before Parks and Recreation would pay for the Sponsorship services.
- Recreation Report:
  - MYC worked at Home for the Holidays as well as staff supplied the fire barrells.
  - There will be reduced hours during the week of Christmas, all changes will be advertised.
  - SHIIP volunteers have been assisting with Medicare Open Enrollment.
  - Indoor Playground on Wednesdays averages 91 people.
- Parks Report:
  - Staff is working on leaf cleanup and other tree trimming as the weather allows.
  - Staff installed holiday decorations on both highways and around the Square.
  - Equipment repairs and preparations for winter continue.

#### *Commission Member Comments, Reports*

#### *Next Meeting*

The next meeting scheduled for January 10, 2024 will need to be rescheduled for a later date due to a lack of quorum.

It was moved by Turnball and seconded by Koonce to adjourn at 6:45 pm.