

# Indianola Park and Recreation Commission

## September 2023 Meeting Minutes

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

Randy Bickham  
Marcy Hahn  
Kerry Koonce  
Judy Pauley  
Kathy Turnball  
Kate Walton

Also present were:  
Doug Bylund

Welcome to new Commission Members, Marcy Hahn and Judy Pauley

### *Public Consideration/Correspondence*

### *Consent Items*

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

Approve Agenda  
Approve July 12, 2023 Minutes

### *Support Group Reports*

**Tree Committee:** A motion was made by Turnball with a second by Koonce to appoint Marcy Hahn as the Commission Representative to the Tree Committee. Unanimous approval. The Tree Committee will be selling reduced price trees once again for city residents. Pick up for trees will be Saturday, October 21 at the Greenhouse.

**Indianola Park Friends:** The Thursday evening Yoga event had over 50 participants. The Dog Park Shelter event will be moved to spring 2024.

### *Department Heads Reports*

### **Director:**

- Hillcrest Trail Connections – The trail section has a punch list of items the contractor will be working on in the coming weeks.

- Discussion was held regarding repairs to the Buxton Gazebo. The Buxton Family would like to see it repaired, but the estimated costs are over \$27,000. The Commission expressed interest in researching other options for a rebuilt gazebo, similar in style to be built in the same location.
- A motion was made by Walton with a second from Koonce to approve the design from WebsterCreative for the Rotary Centennial Disc Golf Course signs. Unanimous approval.
- Parks Report:
  - The baskets will be coming down early on The Square to accommodate repainting of the light poles.
  - There was a fish kill at the Pickard Park pond around Labor Day. The DNR was called and they determined it was a result of the lack of rain and very warm temperatures. Many urban ponds in the area experienced the same with high water temperatures.
  - McCord Parking: An estimate and design was obtained from Snyder & Associates for 50 paved parking stalls. The estimate was \$448,000 and staff will look to get this into the future capital budget process. In the meantime, we may create a temporary parking area for larger events and rentals – similar to the overflow parking at Pickard Park.

#### *Commission Member Comments, Reports*

#### *Next Meeting*

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at the Activity Center at 6:00 pm.

It was moved by Turnball and seconded by Hahn to adjourn at 6:50 pm.