

Indianola Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

The Indianola Parks and Recreation Commission held a meeting on Wednesday, September 11, 2013, @ 5:00 p.m. at the Activity Center. Those present were:

Laura Beals
Jennifer Leech
Jon Anderson
Cyd Dyer

Also present were:

Glen Cowan, Director of Parks & Recreation

The minutes were presented for the Commission review and approval. It was moved by Anderson and seconded by Leech to approve the minutes. Unanimous approval.

*Approval of
Minutes*

None

*Public
Consideration/
Correspondence*

Recreation – in packet

Consent Items

Sports/Fitness – in packet

Teen/Adult Activities – in packet

Adults 50+ - Activities – in packet

Parks/Horticulture – in packet

Staff Approvals – none

Financials for the entire 12 month fiscal year were reported.

Seniors monthly payment was raised for the first time in 3 years from \$763 to \$793.

The Indianola Community Tree Committee recommends continuing with the current multi-year ash tree removal and replacement plan as the city budget allows.

A grant application to Prairie Meadows Legacy is being prepared which would

cover the cost of 2 Info Hub signs for Indianola at our 2 trailheads. The signs are quite expensive so if the grant is received, we will get the signs made and installed as a part of the grant which will be worth an estimated \$7,000-\$10,000. Our cost is \$500-\$600 depending on the number of other agencies that end up participating. The money will come from the trails fund.

A copy of the turf program for the parks and other city properties we maintain was included in your packet. It identifies the areas in priorities based on a combination of the amount of use and visibility. It also includes Specific Area Work which we have not had a plan to get done in the past.

A motion was made by Beals and seconded by Anderson to accept the consent items. Unanimous approval.

Sustainability Committee – No meeting

*Support Group
Reports*

Community Trees Committee – Leech reported they had a meeting last week. They tried to narrow down their projects to the Oak Savannah, Adopt A Tree, and just a few others.

Indianola Park Friends – Button was the representative and is no longer on the commission. Dyer will take this over and Beals will take over the Sustainability Committee.

Friends of Trails (FIT) – Council has rejected the bids for the phase I trail. They may send it out for another bid in January. There was some discussion about getting a trail out to the Y and a logo and better signage to direct people to different places in town from the trail.

Director's Report

Budget Report – Cowan reported on the year end financials

Priorities & Goals – The commission reviewed a list of items and goals and prioritized them listing the top 3 addition to other department needs by category. The commission directed Cowan to prepare the list with the prioritized items listed at the top. Dyer said she would help. The list would then be presented at the October 16th meeting.

Pickard Softball Plan – Commission looked and discussed the plan

None

Other Business

No more until after the first of the year

*Council Report
Schedule*

None

*Commission
Comments*

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2013, @ 5:00 p.m.

Next Meeting

It was moved by Anderson and seconded by Leech to adjourn at 6: 20 p.m.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Leech". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.