Indianola Park and Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes

The Indianola Parks and Recreation Commission held a meeting on Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 5:00 pm at the Indianola Activity Center. Those present were:

Drew Brazie Chris Goodale Joel Hoger Kerry Koonce Kathy Turnball

Also present were:

Doug Bylund

Public Consideration/Correspondence

Consent Items

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

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Support Group Reports

Tree Committee:

Indianola Park Friends: Hosting the Saturday Skating Spree on February 15.

Friends of Indianola Trails:

Department Heads Reports

Director:

- The 2019 Parks and Recreation Annual Report was presented. A motion to accept the report was made by Turnball with a 2nd by Brazie; motion carried unanimously.
- The City Council formally adopted the new terms for the Commission to expire on June 30 instead of December 31.

Recreation:

- The Family Fun Night was rescheduled to Saturday, February 29. It was postponed on January 18 due to a power outage.
- The Family Sweetheart Dance was Saturday, February 8.
- The latest edition of the Lunch and Learn series was held Thursday, February 6. Over 80 people attended the presentation about the Orphan Trains from the late 1800's and early 1900's. This series has continued to grow since it was begun in 2019.
- The Aquatic Center Annual Report was presented.

Parks:

- Staff met with representatives from IDOT and they are working towards approving our plan to replant the trees that were removed along West Highway 92 during the widening project.
- Bids are out for replacement of the Parks Utility Tractor and Parks Utility Vehicle. These are due at the end of February and were scheduled to be replaced out of the current fiscal year Capital Improvement Plan.
- The Ice Rink was opened on January 21. This is 2 days sooner than last year, but still later than we were hoping for. The rink was filled with water in early December.
- With the resignation of the Street Superintendent in November, the city is currently looking to change that position into a Public Works Director. This position will oversee the Park Staff and Equipment and take the lead on the technical operations of the equipment and facilities. The parks priorities, policies and operations will still be directed by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Commission Member Comments, Reports

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at the Indianola Activity Center at 5:00 pm.

It was moved by Koonce and seconded by Turnball to adjourn at 5:35 pm.