

Indianola Park and Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes

The Indianola Parks and Recreation Commission held a meeting on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 5:10 pm at the Indianola Activity Center. Those present were:

Drew Brazie
Chris Goodale (5:20)
Kerry Koonce
Kathy Turnball
Kate Walton

Also present were:
Doug Bylund

Public Consideration/Correspondence

Consent Items

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

Approve Agenda
April 10, 2019 Minutes

Support Group Reports

Sustainability Report: No Report

Tree Committee: No Report

Indianola Park Friends: The member plant sale was Thursday, April 25. Park Friends is supporting the Children's Garden at Buxton Park that will begin construction later this summer.

Friends of Indianola Trails: no report

Department Heads Reports

Director:

The City Council approved the bid for the Jerry Kelley Trail. The contractor has tentatively scheduled the trail construction to begin the week of June 17. The construction will begin on the Simpson and Memorial Park areas near the current Jerry Kelley Trail.

- City Staff is working to acquire easements for the Hillcrest Trail Connector. Once these are obtained, the bids will be sent out and posted for construction to begin later this summer.
- The Parks and Recreation Workplan was presented. This lists the projects and the expected timelines for completion.

Recreation:

- The Live Healthy Iowa Track Meet was held Wednesday, May 8 at the Middle School, with over 220 participants and 30 volunteers.
- Department staff is preparing the Aquatic Center for the opening of the season June 1.

Parks:

- The Park Shelters and restrooms have been opened. McCord Park had a water leak underground that was repaired, but delayed turning on the water for 2 weeks.
- The Spring Planting Blitz was held May 14-15. Staff and volunteers planted thousands of flowers at Buxton Park, Sesquicentennial Park and other sign beds.
- Thanks to IMU staff, the hanging baskets have been installed for this summer on the square.
- Ragbrai has requested the use of the following parks for camping on July 23 – Barker, Buxton, DeNelsky, Memorial, Moats, Pickard and South Park.

Commission Member Comments, Reports

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at the Indianola Activity Center at 5:00 pm.

It was moved by Koonce and seconded by Turnball to adjourn at 5:30 pm.