

Indianola Park and Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes

The Indianola Parks and Recreation Commission held a meeting on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 6:00 pm at the Indianola Activity Center. Those present were:

Drew Brazie
Joel Hoger
Kerry Koonce
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 Koonce and seconded by Walton, unanimous approval.

Approve Agenda
Approve April 21, 2021 Minutes

Support Group Reports

Tree Committee:

Indianola Park Friends: Park Friends delivered Plant Sale orders to members and May Day Baskets. Planning to support the nature scape playground at the Oak Savanna in Pickard Park.

Friends of Indianola Trails:

Department Heads Reports

Director:

- The City Council is working to update the bicycle and micro mobility vehicles code.

- The COVID 19 Relief Recreational Trails Program Grant will be submitted by May 17 for the Highway 65 trail connections.

Recreation:

- Program registration and attendance is picking up.
- The Live Healthy Iowa Track Meet was held May 5 with over 180 participants and over 20 volunteers.

Parks:

- Park Winterization
 - The Operations Specialist position has been accepted by Connor Skultety
 - Planting in parks and city flowerbeds is underway. The Highway 65 Medians spring maintenance and planting is scheduled for May 18.
 - The Moats Restroom has been ordered. Removal of the old restroom will begin 3 weeks ahead of delivery of the new building – tentatively in early to mid July.
 - The Des Metro Disc Golf Club continues to work on the Pickard Disc Golf Course in preparations for the Disc Golf Pro Tour Tournament July 9-11.

Commission Member Comments, Reports

- As the 2nd phase of the City Code Updates begin this summer/fall, the Commission would like to resend their letter of support towards the parkland dedication for developments.
- It was asked if the Disc Golf Tournament will donate back funds back to the park and if there is opportunity for support from Park Friends for the event. A portion of the proceeds from the tournament will be given back to the department with the intent of using for Disc Golf maintenance and improvements.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at the Indianola Activity Center at 6:00 pm.

It was moved by Walton and seconded by Brazie to adjourn at 6:43 pm.