

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
August 4, 2021

The Parks & Recreation Board met in regular session Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at 5:15 p.m., at Gates Memorial Hall 825 15th Street, Nevada, Iowa. The agenda was posted on July 30, 2021, on the official bulletin board in compliance with the open meeting law.

Glen Miller called the meeting to order at 5:17 p.m. The following named members were present and absent. Present: Glen Miller, Deb Parker, Linda Griffith, Mark Cahill. Absent: Tony Sneiderman, Karen Selby, Laura Kiesling. Others present included: Tim Hansen, Rhonda Maier.

Motion by Board Member Parker, seconded by Board Member Griffith, to **approve the agenda**. After due consideration and discussion, the question was put upon the motion and the roll being called, the following named Board Members voted. Ayes: Miller, Parker, Griffith, Cahill. Nays: none.

Motion by Board Member Cahill, seconded by Board Member Parker, to **approve the consent agenda**. After due consideration and discussion, the question was put upon the motion and the roll being called, the following named Board Members voted. Ayes: Miller, Parker, Griffith, Cahill. Nays: none.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Nothing.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Update on Field House & Appropriate Follow-Up.
- CAT Grant is due August 27th.
 - Planning for activities this fall that the foundation could be at to promote the project.
 - Planning for a presence at Lincoln Highway Days
 - Have raised just over \$6.25 million to date.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Consideration of Adjusted Hours of Operation at Aquatic Center and Appropriate Follow-up.
- Normal hours will continue through Sunday, August 15th.
 - August 16th – 27th will be reduced hours/days:
 - 10:45am – 12:00pm (noon) Adult lap swim, Monday – Friday
 - 12:00pm (noon) – 4:00pm Public Swim, Monday – Friday
 - Closed August 21st and 22nd
 - Last day of operation for the 2021 season is Friday, August 27th.

B. Discussion Regarding Porta-Potty for Mardean Park and Appropriate Follow-up.

- Consensus was no.
- No action was taken.

C. Discussion Regarding Eliminating Group Rate at Aquatic Center Starting with the 2022 Season and Appropriate Follow-up.

- Discussion to remove group rate for 2022 season.

Motion by Board Member Griffith, seconded by Board Member Parker, to **eliminate group rate at the Aquatic Center starting with the 2022 season.** After due consideration and discussion, the question was put upon the motion and the roll being called, the following named Board Members voted. Ayes: Miller, Parker, Griffith, Cahill. Nays: none.

D. Discussion Regarding a Policy to Put a Time Frame on the Decision to Hold a Pool Party Depending on Weather and Appropriate Follow-up.

Motion by Board Member Cahill, seconded by Board Member Parker, to **set 3:00 p.m. as the time that a decision must be reached and the pool notified if party will be held or not.** After due consideration and discussion, the question was put upon the motion and the roll being called, the following named Board Members voted. Ayes: Miller, Parker, Griffith, Cahill. Nays: none.

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Tim Hansen reported on the following:

- Work continues at Billy Sunday Field to renovate the area to all grass.
- Nicholas Frideres is almost done with the Wilson Pond Shelter rebuild as part of his Eagle Scout project.
- Ryan Wessels is working on his plan for his Eagle Scout project to stock the Wilson Pond with fish, add structure to the pond for fish, and possible construction of a fishing dock/pier.
- We have 2 memorial benches to put in prior to Lincoln Highway Days.
- Looking to adjust our office hours after the school moves into Gates Hall. This will change our hours to be consistent with their hours so the building will have set times it is open and closed.
- Vision 2040 plan is getting closer to completion. A number of items relating to parks/recreation/trails are included in the plan.
- Working on a grant through the DNR for a fall tree planting project to replace trees lost from derecho.
- Board was asked about a portion of the Lincoln Highway Days Run going through the Cemetery – consensus was “no”.

Rhonda Maier reported on the following:

- New swimming lesson program went very well.

- National Tournament was very successful – Rhonda has a follow-up meeting with Ames CVB to close out the tournament.
- Adult softball is going well.
- Adult softball tournament for Lincoln Highway Days is in the works.
- Held follow-up meeting for youth baseball and softball. Minor changes will be made for next year.
- Working on fall programming.

OTHER:

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Board Member Parker, seconded by Board Member Griffith to adjourn. The roll being called, the following named Board Members voted. Ayes: Miller, Parker, Griffith, Cahill. Nays: none. Whereupon the motion was declared and carried and at 6:02 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Attest:

Erin Mousel, Secretary

Glen Miller, Chair Person