

PARKS & RECREATION
ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES

*June 21, 2021 5:45 pm
Edgewater Pavilion*

Members Present:

Jen Vogt-Erickson
Amy Leach
Tony Segura
Steve Ball
Jason Howland

Members Absent:

Whitney Sauer
Rich Yost
Jodi Hartman

Staff in Attendance:

Bob Furland, Recreation Manager
Ryan Hajek, Asst Director of Public Works
Dani Bakken, Recreation Coordinator
Joe Grossman, Superintendent of Parks

Others in Attendance:

None

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Bob Furland.

Adopt Agenda:

Jen Vogt-Erickson made the motion to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting and Amy Leach seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the board voted in favor of said motion 5-0. Motion declared passed.

Approval of the Minutes:

Amy Leach made the motion to approve the minutes from the May 17, 2021 meeting and Tony Segura seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the board voted in favor of said motion 5-0. Motion declared passed.

Public Items:

None

Action/Discussion Items:

None

Old Business:

Ryan Hajek gave an update on the dead fish issue with Fountain Lake. The aerator at Edgewater got fixed and the aerator at Pioneer park will be getting fixed once the dredging is complete.

Ryan also gave an update on the Troy-Hammer Park detour visibility. Ryan said that it is not cost effective for lighted crosswalks. The city has done a crosswalk study in the past and have done improvements since that study.

Recreation: Report given by Bob Furland as follows;

- Introduced Dani Bakken, new Recreation Coordinator
- Senior Center opened Monday 6/21- there were 75 people at bingo last week
- Play Parks- we were able to hire enough staff to have Academy and Hawthorne Parks open Monday- Thursday from 9:00am-4:00pm
- Play Park staff provided entertainment at the farmers market and had a ton of kids participate
- Thursdays on Fountain have been very popular, the first week had 700 people attend. Looking at closing off streets and inviting local food trucks to serve
- The pool has been busy. As of 6/21/2021 138 family passes have been sold. The city hired a lifeguard trainer to provide lifeguard training classes. Josh has been doing more maintenance and has been very helpful. Currently providing aqua tots, level 1, level 2 and level 3 swim lessons and they are completely full.

Parks: Report given by Ryan Hajek and Joe Grossman as follows;

- Tree trimming is taking place, specifically by the channel
- Staff is looking at replacing tile in the ditch near Edgewater Bay Pavilion to clean-up the swamp environment.
- Mosquito spraying starting on June 16
- Three staff are currently off or on light duty due to shoulder surgeries.
- The fountain pump at Denmark park needed to be replaced

City Arena: Report given by Bob Furland as follows;

- Maverick triple A camp is coming back week of 6/28/2021
- There is 2 weeks left of ice on the arena

Senior Center: Report given by Bob Furland as follows;

- Senior Center opened Monday 6/21- there were 75 people at bingo last week
- Working on getting trip set up for the end of July

Marion Ross Theater: Report given by Bob Furland as follows;

- The elevator was inspected and more work is needed, including new doors. The inspector is allowing the elevator to still be used but it needs to be updated

Board Member Items:

- Jason Howland: Brookside boat landing ramp needs to be looked at. Both sides have silted in
- Tony Segura- ask if quarter mile marking could be put around fountain lake

Adjournment: Jen Vogt-Erickson made a motion to adjourn the Park Board meeting, and Amy Leach seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the board voted in favor of said motion 5-0. Motion declared passed. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dani Bakken
Acting Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Secretary

Approved:

Steve Ball
Park & Recreation Advisory Board Chairman