

MINUTES
FORT MADISON PARKS, RECREATION & DOCK BOARD
REGULAR MEETING – WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2016
IVANHOE PARK SHELTER, 5:00PM
FORT MADISON, IOWA

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Decker, Sue Pieper, Tara Johnson and Jesus Garcia

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mary Ann Gaudette, Trish Hall, Lauri Wondra

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Dawn Helling and John Luna

GUESTS PRESENT: Lee Ann Shaffer Smith and Sheryl Decker

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Johnson at 5:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Garcia MOVED and Decker SECONDED a motion to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2016 meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comments:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Luna had Lee Ann Shaffer Smith share first so she could leave when finished.

- A. BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS 5K COLOR RUN IN RODEO PARK:** November 19, 2016, Lee Ann Shaffer Smith, representative shared they would like to have another color run. The last one was successful and feels it will be even more successful again.

Pieper MOVED and Garcia SECONDED a motion to approve BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS 5K COLOR RUN IN RODEO PARK. MOTION CARRIED

- B. OLD SETTLERS ASSOCIATION TO HOST TRICK OR TREAT IN OLD SETTLERS PARK:** October 31, 2016, Sheryl Decker shared that she noticed last year there weren't many outside lights turned on for Trick or Treat night. Would like to have a table set up at each light in the park to give out candy. Will also serve hot dogs and drinks. Would like to put up a sign to advertise. This will take place the same hours and Trick or Treating. Anyone in town can participate.

Garcia MOVED and Pieper SECONDED a motion to approve OLD SETTLERS ASSOCIATION TO HOST TRICK OR TREAT IN OLD SETTLERS PARK. MOTION CARRIED

C. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SECURING ELECTRIC AND WATER USAGE AT ALL OPEN SHELTER HOUSES TO DETER EXCESS WASTE WHEN NOT CONTRACTUALLY RENTED:

Luna shared this was brought up by Larry Driscoll, Public Works Director, that at some shelters people take advantage of using electric and/or water when they don't rent the shelter. He suggested having a key pad box to contain the keys for electric and water. Pieper asked if this was only going to be at shelters or in parks in general. Luna said just shelters for now.

Decker MOVED and Garcia SECONDED a motion to approve SECURING ELECTRIC AND WATER USAGE AT ALL OPEN SHELTER HOUSES. MOTION CARRIED

Committee Liaison Reports:

- A. Johnson: (Sports Complex/Rodeo): Rodeo-went well but had some rain: Sports Complex-starting youth football leagues. Had a successful summer.
- B. Pieper: (PORT): Waiting for legal items for Phase 2 to be finalized. Going to seed and put up a fence on trailer court side of trail. Boo-Athlon will take place in October at the new trail. They are getting quite a few sponsors for this.
- C. Decker: (Old Settlers Association): Lining up concerts for next year. Had a good year of concerts and are looking into a couple of performers for next year.
- D. Hall: (RiverFest): Was not present but Luna shared that Craft said it was very successful and gave Luna tentative dates for next year.
- E. Mary Ann: (public pool): Was not present but Luna shared that it had a good season. There were leaks and had the pool inspected. Inspector commented on what good of shape it is in for its age. Did find 5 spots where it is leaking and recommended changing valves.

Directors Report:

Luna shared about the person who was backing their boat down the boat ramp with their truck and as they were driving the boat off the trailer the truck jumped out of gear and rolled into the river. It took Hall's crane to get it out. Garcia suggested that the ramp is marked where the drop off is. With 24th Street construction being done Luna didn't know if the tennis courts at Victory Park were being used but found out that they are. City Manager would like to have members go around the park and see what needs fixed. Garcia shared the railroad ties at the playground need replaced and more wood chips need to be added. He also stated that the posts in the shelter need to be repaired. Luna shared that the bathroom needs to be updated.

Johnson shared she received an email from Tim Gobble, Fort Madison Partners Director, suggesting that a Riverview Committee be created.

Decker MOVED and Pieper SECONDED a motion to adjourn. MOTION CARRIED and the meeting was adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Tara Johnson, Chairperson