

MINUTES
FORT MADISON PARKS, RECREATION & DOCK BOARD
REGULAR MEETING – WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2017
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 5:00PM
FORT MADISON, IOWA

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Decker, Sue Pieper, Mike Pulis and Paul Wilkerson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mary Ann Gaudette and Trish Hall

CITY STAFF PRESENT: John Luna, Dawn Helling and City Manager David Varley

GUESTS PRESENT: Chuck Vandenburg, Jeff Hunt

Approval of Minutes:

Pieper MOVED and Wilkerson SECONDED a motion to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2017 meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comments:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

- A. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON KUHLMEIER FOUNTAIN SIGNS:** John Luna shared that he had been contacted by the Kuhlmeier family in regards to their desire to have a bigger sign installed at the fountain/skating pond in Riverview Park. He presented pictures of the 2 sign options to the Board. The Sherwood Co. quoted for a big sign which will be 40”x30” in the amount of \$1,441.50. The other option is smaller signs which are 24”x18” on posts going up the sidewalk and they will each look different. The price for these are \$54 each. Decker asked what the family preferred. Luna stated he wanted to discuss it with the parks board first. Decker then asked how it will be paid for. Luna shared from the Kuhlmeier Trust. Pieper preferred the 4 signs because they can be seen better. Pulis was concerned that signs will not be high enough off the ground that they don’t get damaged by weed eaters. Luna stated that a rock border can be placed around them.

Pieper MOVED and Pulis SECONDED a motion to approve INSTALLING 4 DIFFERENT SMALL SIGNS GOING UP THE SIDEWALK FOR KUHLMEIER FOUNTAIN/SKATE POND. MOTION CARRIED.

- B. RODEO PARK TRAIL REHAB:** Helling shared that the City is performing a rehab on a portion of Rodeo Park Trail behind the saddle club arena. This will improve the walking trail by making it longer. It will be asphalted and will be rehabbed so there will not be any corrosion.

Approved Reoccurring Events:

Parks, Recreation and Docks Board voted, and approved, to grant Luna and Helling permission to approve reoccurring events that have been held 3 years or more in a row.

- A. FORT MADISON DISC GOLF LEAGUE ICE BOWL TOURNAMENT IN RODEO PARK:**
February 10, 2018

Committee Liaison Reports:

- A.** Pieper: (PORT): Ribbon cutting for phase 2 took place December 3, 2017. Ugly Sweater 5k will be held for the first time this year on the PORT trail and the new section will be utilized. The Boo-Athlon took place at the end of October. The attendance was down from last year. There was a fundraiser at the Eagles Club, which included the sale of food and a raffle. This raised \$3,500. Next meeting is tomorrow and discussion of a fun run will take place.
- B.** Decker: (Old Settlers Association): Passed out entertainment schedule for next year and gave a year end report. He thanked the City for their help of putting up decorations and taking them down with the lift. 2 trees and 2 tree stumps had to be removed. There has been a problem with a neighbor wanting to park their car up on the grass by the curb.
- C.** Hall: (RiverFest): Luna shared today an announcement was put on the Facebook page about a party at Kinnick South in March announcing the entertainment that will take place. Approximately 20 bands have been booked.
- D.** Gaudette: (Public pool): Nothing to report. YMCA board will be meeting to discuss if they will take over running the pool.
- E.** Tara Johnson (Board Liaison for Rodeo): In Las Vegas at the finals.

Director's Report:

Everything is in the agenda report. Announced Chuy Garcia's resignation from the Parks Board due to his work schedule. Was sorry to see him go. Luna was asked if the new Parks Supervisor will attend the Parks Board meetings. City Manager Varley stated that he should. Pieper asked Luna when his last day of work is due to retirement. Luna stated January 31, 2018. Decker asked if the problem with the marina water lines have been resolved. Luna said they will be fixed in the spring. Decker also asked if the docks are pulled out each winter. Luna answered that they are not but they will need to be inspected in the spring for repairs.

Wilkerson MOVED and Pulis SECONDED a motion to adjourn. MOTION CARRIED. The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM.

Jim Decker, Chairperson