



Forest City

PARKS & RECREATION

MINUTES
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Monday, September 11, 2023, 5:30 PM
Rec Office

CALL TO ORDER

Called to order by Mike Johnson. Board Members present: Missy Reynolds, Maurie Tomke, & Tom Clarey. Linda Keifer joined at 6:00. Also present were: Rec Superintendent, Sue Edmondson, Park Superintendent, Todd Espeland.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

Motion made by Reynolds. Second by Tomke. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

Motion made by Tomke. Second by Reynolds. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Renaming the Civic Auditorium**
 - Johnson led the discussion looking for Board feedback continuing from August meeting
 - If positive response, Johnson will go back to Karl Wooldridge with information and support to move forward
 - Sue expressed that she is not comfortable with her name on the outer part of the building. "It's the Civic Auditorium and should remain that", but said if something needs to be done she would be comfortable with naming of the gymnasium or the court
 - The Board thanked Sue for her input and would like to respect her thoughts/wishes
 - Discussion about possible names for the building/gym

OLD BUSINESS

Rec Report, Sue

- Soccer League
 - Started Saturday, September 9
 - 96 Participants
 - Discussion about paying the coach through contract or employee - Mike will discuss further with Daisy
- Volleyball League
 - Started Saturday, September 9
 - 38 Participants
 - Coaches are Shelby Bird, Ashlyn Brandt, & Michaela Dehrkoop
- Elementary school aged Halloween party will be on October 21
- Aquatic Center Entrance

- Have a quote from Eddy's Glass to replace - \$9,300 and a color change of \$700
 - Sue also will get a 2nd quote from Mason City Glass
- Mark Pleva will be at the pool soon for sandblasting and painting of the pool and should be done by early October
- Nelson Plumbing and Heating will start the Civic Auditorium electrical panel upgrade soon

Park Report, Todd

- New dog park play feature has arrived and will be installed this fall
- Class of '72 bench for Boman
 - Bench arrived in December of '22
 - Opened the box in June and it was shipped with no base
 - Ordered a base but has not been delivered yet
 - Will install along the Boman Park trail when it arrives
- Campground
 - Revenue is still up from previous years
 - Registrations have slowed since mid August
 - Added new surfacing to several pads
 - Fixed a wash out at the north end of the campground
- 3rd round of Round-up type herbicide is being applied to needed areas
- Fall shut down
 - Will start paying attention to overnight temps in early October to plan for winterizing of facilities
 - Dump Station will most likely be the first to be closed - around October 15
- Iowa Trails Summit
 - Todd will attend on October 5 and 6 in Marshalltown
 - Hopes to gather information and strategies for maintenance of existing and planning for new trails to continue connectivity throughout community
- Waldorf University Sharing Agreement
 - The auditor for the City has requested a copy of any sharing agreement that we have
 - Missy will contact Brian Keely of WU

ESPN Fund

- \$45,150.57

Other Old Business

- None

ADJOURN

Motion by Reynolds. Second by Tomke. Motion carried.