

PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday, January, 14, 2025
Bunker Hill Golf Course
2200 Bunker Hill Road, Dubuque, Iowa 52001

PRESENT: Jennifer Tigges, Robin Kennicker, Ron Axtell, Jessica Ochoa, Josh Jorgenson and Lori Ollendick

ABSENT: Jason Henkel

STAFF PRESENT: Steve Fehsal, Dan Kroger and Angie Metcalf

CALL TO ORDER: Jennifer called meeting to order at 4:33.

MINUTES APPROVED; VOTE:

It was moved by Kennicker seconded by Ochoa, to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2024, meeting. Unanimous.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None

DISCUSSION ON NAMING OF THE PARK IN RUSTIC POINT SUBDIVISION:

Park Division Manager, Steve Fehsal, presented the Park and Recreation Naming Policy and timeline for naming of the park in Rustic Point Subdivision.

SHARING OF PETS IN PARKS INFORMATION IN PREPARATION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

Park Division Manager, Fehsal, provided an overview of Pets and Parks discussion that was held by Mayor and City Council at the 9/3/2024 council meeting. Commission members advised they will review the current City ordinance. At the February meeting, they will decide to look at possible changes to the entire ordinance or just certain parks.

FY 2026 OPERATING BUDGET REVIEW:

Recreation Division Manager, Dan Kroger, gave a review of the Recreation FY 2026 operating budget as well as the improvement packages that have been requested. Parks Division Manager, Fehsal, provided a review of the Parks FY 2026 operating budget as well as the improvement packages that have been request.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PLAN UPDATE:

Recreation Division Manager, Kroger, explained the initial kick off meetings with the selected consultants have been going well and to expect an update at every

commission meeting until the plan is complete.

RETROACTIVE APPROVAL OF 2024 TREE CITY USA APPLICATION:

Kennicker made a motion to recommend Council retroactively approve the 2024 Tree City USA Application. Ollendick seconded. Unanimous.

DIVISION MANAGER REPORTS:

None

COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS/QUESTIONS:

Ollendick asked if Ducks unlimited is working with the DRA regarding the wetland project. Parks Division Manager Fehsal said he was unaware and would look into it.

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Axtell, seconded by Kennicker, to adjourn the meeting 5:30pm p.m. Unanimous.