

PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, August 12, 2008

4:30 p.m., Snack Bar, Bunker Hill Golf Course

PRESENT: Tom Blocklinger, Chuck Duggan, Gary Harjehausen, Paul Hoffmann, Karen Lyness and Mark Noble

ABSENT: Evelyn Nadeau

OTHERS: Staff present: Pat Prevenas and Eileen Trimble

MINUTES APPROVED;
VOTE: It was moved by Harjehausen, seconded by Hoffmann, to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2008 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

UPDATE ON C.I.P.
PROJECTS: Recreation Division Manager Pat Prevenas updated commissioners:

◆ base of **Town Clock** is being painted now; two sides of the clock face are already done and this phase of the overall project should be completed by end of August. ◆ **Veterans' Memorial Park** rest room project was awarded to Klauer Construction; work should start next week. The current building will be torn down to the wood frame and new siding put on and new plumbing fixtures installed. ◆ American Ramp Company has been working at the **Skate Park** at McAleece for two weeks replacing the skating surface with steel. ◆ Rest rooms at the Children's Zoo have been renovated and now meet ADA requirements.

PARK DIVISION REPORT: In the absence of Park Division Manager Bob Fritsch, Mr. Prevenas informed commissioners:

◆ Jeff Ahlers was hired as the Assistant Gardener – new position. He will be working in a lot of the high maintenance areas such as the Port of Dubuque and gateways. He was working at the Dubuque Community School District and was a former park division employee during his college years. ◆ Miller Riverview Park is now 100% operational after the flood cleanup and repair. ◆ Renovation work will start soon on the rest rooms by the Enclosed Shelter at Murphy Park.

RECREATION DIVISION REPORT: Recreation Division Manager Pat Prevenas updated commissioners:

◆ **Swim** attendance was up for July, 6% over an average July but the season is behind overall because it has not been a good June or August. ◆ **Golf** rounds had the best July in four years, up 3% from last year. ◆ **Playground** program ended August 1st, with 8,700 participants; had free lunch program at Comiskey, Lincoln and Prescott playgrounds -- 2,300 total meals were served throughout the eight-week playground program.

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◆ **Sutton** Pool's last day of the season was Sunday, August 10th; doggie dip was held August 11th with 160 dogs admitted to the pool. **Flora** Pool season ends Sunday, August 24th with the doggie dip on Monday, August 25th. ◆ **Triathlon** had perfect weather, 90 participants. ◆ Fall brochure will be available and program registration begins on August 25th.

ADJOURN;
VOTE: It was moved by Hoffmann, seconded by Harjehausen, that the meeting be adjourned at 4:45 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Taren Lyness
Chairperson

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Attest