

MINUTES
Recreation Advisory Commission
Wednesday, March 2, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.
Lower Level Conference Room

Members Present: Greg Harper, Angie Haller, Tim Riley and Brad Bark

Members Absent: Al Wagner, Dana Kraft, and Kim Warren

Staff Present: Rich Klimes, Nick Gow, Brett Parcher, and Matt Romer

Guests Present: Mat Snider and Chad Bishop

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m.

Motion to approve minutes of the February 3, 2016 regular meeting. Moved by Harper. Second by Haller. All ayes; motion carries.

Request – MCC Tennis Court Conversion to Basketball Courts

Klimes distributed the MCC Tennis Court Conversion to Basketball Courts request and the response from the Great River Tennis Association. Bishop also distributed an example of a potential multi-purpose basketball court for Weed Park.

Bishop stated with MCC Baseball and Softball over after this year the college would like to have other options for students to promote healthy lifestyles. There will also be more money available to fund the potential multi-purpose basketball court. The tennis courts are an ideal location as they are right next to the campus and dorms.

Commission members agreed they would like to see more options for different spaces in Weed Park. However, they are not interested in converting the newer tennis courts into basketball courts.

Commission Member Haller motioned to table the request for further discussion once MCC provides additional options. Seconded by Commission Member Riley. All ayes; motion carries.

Request – Muscatine Youth Baseball Flag Pole Request

Klimes stated Muscatine Youth Baseball has requested to place a flag pole and landscaping bed behind the backstop on diamond 7. Staffs recommendation at this time is to approve the request.

Commission Member Haller motioned to approve the Muscatine Youth Baseball Flag Pole Request. Seconded by Commission Member Harper. All ayes; motion carries.

Review – Golf Course Policy Manual

Klimes distributed and discussed the Golf Course Policy Manual.

Commission Member Riley motioned to approve the 2016 Golf Course Policy Manual. Seconded by Commission Member Haller. All ayes; motion carries.

Review – Soccer Complex Usage Guidelines

Gow discussed the current Soccer Complex Usage Guidelines.

Commission Member Haller motioned to approve the Soccer Complex Usage Guidelines. Seconded by Commission Member Harper. All ayes; motion carries.

Update – Muscatine Slough Rip-Rap Project

Gow gave a brief update on the Slough Rip-Rap Project that is currently taking place.

Update – Riverfront REAP Grant

Gow discussed the Riverfront Rip Rap Project that will take place later this year.

Other Business

Snider stated the Parks and Recreation Department will be holding a job fair for seasonal employment on March 19th from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Golf Course.

Snider informed the Commission that the Parks and Recreation Department is in the early stages of planning a Home Run Derby contest and would like to hold it in May.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Rexroth
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