

SUMMARY
DES MOINES PARK AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING
5:00 p.m., January 22, 2019
Richard A. Clark Municipal Service Center
Board Room

The Des Moines Park and Recreation Board took the following action on items listed in the attached meeting agenda summary. Copies of resolutions may be obtained from the Park and Recreation Office 237-1403. Please refer to the five-digit resolution number when requesting information or copies. Any item requiring a roll call was taken by voice vote. For purposes of condensation, roll calls will only be broken down in the minutes when the actual vote was not unanimous.

#19-001 ROLL CALL
Present: Davis, Ogle, Facto, Boggus, Nassif, Potter, Thompson, Woodard, Bollard, Lohmeier, Fanter
Absent: Avant, Pugh, Vilmain, Anderson

#19-002 APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS PRESENTED AND/OR AMENDED
Motion by Woodard to approve agenda as presented
Second by Potter
Motion carried

DISCUSSION AGENDA

Davis recognized the City Council members present

PRESENTATION

#19-003 Volunteer Awards
Callie Le'au Courtright presented a PowerPoint presentation on the award winners for 2018. Awards were presented.

MINUTES

#19-004 Minutes of November 27, 2018 Park and Recreation Board Meeting
Motion by Nassif to accept the November 27, 2018 Park and Recreation Board meeting minutes
Second by Boggus
Motion carried

BOARD ACTION

#19-005 Aquatic Centers and Wading Pools Proposed Season
Page advised this is the first reading. Page introduced Laura Briggs and Tim Smith. Briggs and Smith provided a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed aquatic schedules.
Motion by Woodard to approve the aquatic and wading pool seasons
Second Boggus
Motion carried

- #19-006** Sub-Committee Appointments
Davis went over the sub-committee appointments. For the Urban Conservation advisory committee - Vicki Facto

Motion by Nassif to approve appointment
Second by Woodard
Motion carried

- #19-007** Citizens Golf Committee
The appointment of Vilmain

Motion by Potter to approve appointment
Second by Woodard
Motion carried

- #19-008** Cemetery Advisory Committee
Joel Potter is being reappointed to this committee

- #19-009** Trails and Greenways
The appointments - Bollard and Lohmeier

Motion by Facto to approve the trails and greenway committee appointments
Second by Woodard
Motion carried

RECEIVE AND FILE

- #19-010** Reno Dog Park Plan
Page introduced Lee Wheelock. Wheelock presented a PowerPoint presentation on the public process on the Reno Dog Park.

Davis asked council member Westergaard's thoughts on the proposal. The neighborhoods are in support of the relocation – will have a better dog park and people are excited about the relocation.

Motion by Boggus to receive and file the Reno Dog Park plan
Second by Woodard
Motion carried

- #19-011** Skatepark Rules
Kalcevich, advised the proposed rules are for the new facility. Kalcevich provided an overview of the research in developing these rules.

Ogle asked with the helmets being recommended was that feedback from the skatepark community. Kalcevich stated recommended was suggested by skate park user's population and advisory group.

Boggus asked about the interaction with the skatepark community. Some have expressed concerns with the listing of death was a worry to them. Boggus asked if this is negotiable as other cities do not have that language. DiDonato stated it is a recommendation and is a policy decision. Page stated the State gives immunity to municipalities for certain activities and the language would not take

away the Immunity clause. DiDonato stated the immunity codes comes from design and construction of the current standards. The wording on the sign is how to inform the public. Boggus stated the skating community had the concern about that language. Boggus suggested to remove death; it is not welcoming and a drawback. Page stated this will be an unsupervised facility and the rules would be is enforced by the community. Ogle commented to remove death and replace with serious injury. Nassif stated he would be curious if people have died at skate parks due to a head injury without a helmet. Nassif would like to leave the language as written.

Fanter questioned in research completed how frequently do skateparks require helmets. Kalcevich advised it was divided. Page suggested implementing some rules and come back with rules changes, if necessary. Page stated this is a good starting point.

Fanter asked if helmets were required, would it then need to be a supervised facility. Page stated this would require random checks. Currently the budget has no dollars to staff this facility. Will need to look at this for one full year of use and then make a recommendation.

Potter asked if this facility is similar to Fourmile. Kalcevich advised it would be similar but would have more volume at new facility. Potter asked if Des Moines is more strict than other metro cities. Kalcevich stated these are tighter regulations in exercising caution. Page recommended to go with the proposed rules and come back in a year for any possible revisions. Woodard advised the rules look fine and review it in a year.

Davis questioned the wording on shirt and shoes are required instead change the wording to recommended. Davis questioned how did the age of children under 6 years come up. Page suggested to keep the shirts and shoes as required. Kalcevich stated six was a recommendation from other cities - will look to assess after the first year. DiDonato stated looking at age threshold was legal's recommendation for a need for a certain level of competence.

Fanter commented this is a dangerous sport and helmets should be required.

Page stated it will come back next month. Ogle suggested more information on why recommended versus required versus prohibited.

Boggus stated the weather kept some of the advocates from attending the meeting.

Kalcevich stated some of the design has a vision for facility safety and maintenance. Ogle stated a compelling case will need to be made on not using helmets. Fanter stated it might be harder to impose stricter rules later.

Nassif asked about lighting. Page stated there will be a standard. Timers will be at the park.

Motion by Boggus to receive and file the Lauridsen Skatepark rules
Second by Potter
Motion carried

Skateboarders will be invited to the next meeting.

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#19-012 Fee Waiver Report
Page advised this is the annual fee waiver report.

Ogle left at 6:30 p.m.

Motion by Potter to receive and file the fee waiver report
Second by Boggus
Motion carried

Report of Chair of Board and Committees

- Urban Conservation committee – (Woodard)
- Citizen Golf Advisory committee – (Pugh, Nassif)
- Citizen Cemetery Advisory committee – (Potter)
- Trails and Greenways – (Facto, Anderson)

#19-013 **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Boggus to adjourn
Second by Potter
Motion carried