

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting: February 21, 2018

Members Present: Matt Tullis, Jeffrey Sogge, Justin Strom

Absent: Anel Garza, Kim Barnes.

Staff Present: Anne Selness, Shari Coughenour

Guests: Leigh Bauder

Minutes of the Jan. 17, 2017 meeting were approved.

Shari Coughenour gave an update on the 2020 census process that will be happening shortly. She thinks the actual number of people in Marshalltown will go up. She stressed the importance of getting a complete count for grant writing and other purposes. Shari will be the go between for census workers helping with the process.

Director's Report

- Futsal courts – we have developed a rule sign for the courts and procedures for scheduling tournaments. The first tournament this year will be April 14-15 with weekly tournaments scheduled Saturday's from 4-10 pm and Sunday's noon to 3pm starting May 5.
- Park and Rec. were fortunate to receive the Community Foundations large grant of \$20,000 this year. Funds will go towards the skate park upgrade. Chris Busch from the Bricklayers Association will have his students build the graffiti wall the end of April for us. We will gather the supplies and take care of the base for the wall. Skate park equipment is schedule for install in June.
- New sidewalks will be going in at Mega-10 this spring to make everything accessible.
- Anne and Dave Rierson have completed the burn plans for the Rice Grass Nature Park and the Iowa River Hospice.
- AEA pool is up and going and swimming lessons started this week.
- We will be transitioning to CivicRec software and phasing out ActiveNet. The software has much more functionality and is not as expensive as ActiveNet.
- Our AARP person took a new job and has left this week. We are seeking a replacement.
- Our rental facilities will now be reserved online only. We are getting way too many phone calls and walk ins for something people can easily do from home.
- We will be replacing the rusty tables at the aquatic center with cement tables this spring.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm. Next meeting is March 21, 2018 at 4:15 pm in the City Hall Basement.