

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting: March 21, 2018

Members Present: Matt Tullis, Jeffrey Sogge, Justin Strom, Anel Garza, Kim Barnes.

Staff Present: Anne Selness, Brad Weuve

Minutes of the Feb. 21, 2018 meeting were approved.

Brad Weuve – Park Superintendent Update

- Staff are working on getting buildings, restrooms and the aquatic center ready to open. We have set up our planning dates.
- Kristin is updating the city tree inventory.
- Sidewalk planning for Mega-10 and West End parks is taking place. Both parks will have accessible sidewalks by early summer.
- Interviewing seasonal staff for summer positions.
- Spent several days working on the coliseum plumbing problems.
- Staff are pulling wooden posts at Riverview Campground to make trimming easier.
- Working with TRAILS, INC. to clean up the Iowa River Trail this spring.
- Planning for some new grills and tether balls at Turtle Park.

Director's Report

- Talked about the upgrade coming for the skatepark this year to include a new graffiti (Art) wall, new skate elements and a pump track. We were awarded a Community Foundation grant for \$20,000 to help with this project.
- Did our yearly pre-season walkthrough at the aquatic center this week and are finalizing the 28E agreement with the Y. We have some minor repair work to do which is mainly cracked cement areas.
- At the Rice Grass Nature Park the IDOT will be taking out the beaver dam and a pipe they put in. They have marked the east boundary and will fence the south side where the fence is down.
- We are working on the appraisal for a land donation adjacent to Bicentennial Park.
- We will meet at the skate park and do some painting on the graffiti wall for our next meeting. Bring gloves and any paint you may have. Anne will bring paint as well.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm. Next meeting is April 18 at the Skate Park.