

Park and Recreation Advisory Committee

Meeting: Wednesday Oct 21, 2015

4:15 called to order, 5:00pm Meeting Adjourned

Members Present:

Present: Floyd Harthun, Jeffrey Sogge, Matt Tullis, Renee Mathews, Terry Gray.

October meeting minutes:

1. Director's Report – Terry Gray- The tree Inventory reports from information retrieved using GIS should be returned to Park & Rec early in 2016. Terry reviewed upcoming Park and Rec staff changes: the horticulturist retires December 2015 and Terry Gray retires January 2016.

Capital Improvement plan: West end tennis court resurfacing is on the list for 2016. The Mega 10 restroom repairs from the May 2014 fire have not been completed.

The Live Healthy state track meet is on the calendar for June 11, 2016.

2. Aquatic Center Attendance/revenue for 2015. Handout

Overall, revenue dropped in the 2015 season likely due to the decrease in hours open. Aquatic hours changed from 46 hours per week to 32 hours per week during the 2015 summer season. The aquatic center brought in \$83,680 compared to \$100,412 in 2014. Discussed raising aquatic center rates might result in fewer people using the facility.

3. City Park non-smoking discussion. Handout

Discussion about designating city's parks as smoke-free zones. Discussion about ideas for how this could be implemented and enforced. Suggestions: "Thanks for keeping our park smoke free"

4. Marshalltown Softball Association Handout

A resolution is on the Oct 26th City Council meeting to discuss establishing a Board of Directors for the Softball Association. If established, funds used for softball will still be under the control of Parks and Recreation until the Marshalltown Softball Association processes the needed paperwork and obtain non-profit status.

Adjournment.