

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

CITY OF DAVENPORT, IOWA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2022; 4:30 PM

CITY HALL | 226 WEST 4TH STREET | COUNCIL CHAMBERS

I. Roll Call

II. Approval of Minutes

A. September 2022 Meeting Minutes

III. Public Comment

IV. Old Business

V. New Business

A. Department Budget Presentation

B. Golf Report Presentation

VI. Staff Reports

A. October 2022 Staff Reprt

B. Riverfront Improvement Commission Report

C. Park Operations

D. Recreation

E. Revenue Facilities

F. Director's Report

VII. Advisory Time / Suggestions for Future Agenda Items

VIII. Adjournment

IX. Next Meeting Date and Location

A. **November 17,2022 at 4:30p.m. at City Hall, Council Chambers**

City of Davenport
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Department: Parks and Recreation
Contact Info: Chad Dyson 563-326-7817

Date
10/20/2022

Subject:
September 2022 Meeting Minutes

Recommendation:
Approve Minutes

REVIEWERS:

Department	Reviewer	Action	Date
Parks & Recreation	Rhoads, Jessica	Approved	10/18/2022 - 2:15 PM

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Department Budget Presentation

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Golf Report Presentation

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October 2022 Staff Reprt

ATTACHMENTS:

Type	Description
▯ Cover Memo	October 2022 Staff Report

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Park and Recreation Advisory Board
October 20, 2022
Staff Report

Riverfront Improvement Commission up-date: Chris Meyer

Notable updates from Staff

Park Operations

- Staff are starting the process of winterizing the restrooms. The goal is to have all restrooms winterized by Halloween.
- Mowing and mulching leaves continues.
- CIP projects are progressing.
- Staff will install holiday lights at Fejervary Learning Center beginning Monday, October 24, feel free to join us. The show has expanded a great deal.
- NPRA conference in Phoenix, AZ was valuable.

Recreation

- All AmeriCorps slots with the exception of Attendance Works at DCSD have been filled, thanks to the great work of Becca Eastman, the new full-time AmeriCorps Analyst and Kathy Groenbeck, the AmeriCorps Program Assistant.
- Staff wrapped up adult softball and all soccer leagues this month. Everything went really well. Indoor adult soccer and volleyball leagues are filling up.
- Junior Theatre and dance class fall sessions began with over 460 enrollments, up from 394 in fall 2021.
- On October 6, 51 athletes competed in Special Olympic Bowling. Quite a few competitors moved on to the state competition November 19.

Revenue Facilities

- Golf Courses recently completed the major seasonal task of greens aeration at all three courses. It requires 9 holes shut down per day of work. The great weather made it possible for optimal efficiency and minimal disruption through the process. Great job by our crew.
- Duck Creek Golf recently installed concrete path on #3, #18 and a small repair on the sidewalk to the range. These areas have been anticipated and will make the course a better experience and improve safety.
- Emeis maintenance crew has been able to enjoy the additional storage space of the new building shell this season. Emeis Golf Supervisor Matt Woolam and crew have some resources and plans to continue the development of the interior this winter season.

- Red Hawk is winding down and will close traditionally at end of October. Emeis will remain open into November weather permitting. Duck Creek will remain open weather permitting into December.
- Golf Restrooms at Emeis and Duck Creek will be renovated by contractor late fall per the support of Park Development Program.
- The River's Edge - NIHL Hockey Seeding Games are taking place through October House League Hockey has started.
- The River's Edge staff recently hired a second Facility Coordinator and Custodian to help operations get this season started successfully.

Top Staff Challenges

Park Operations

- We are excited to have another past Parks and Recreation maintenance employee join us as a part time employee. He will bring a lot of knowledge and experience to our team.
- Our FT maintenance specialist has been a fantastic addition to our team.
- That being said, we are always looking for more quality people.

Recreation

- The youth and high school indoor soccer leagues are continuing to dwindle, possibly because of national numbers, TPK, and rumors of the possible second sheet of ice all may be deterrents.
- Junior Theatre staff are having trouble recruiting dance and tumbling instructor.

Revenue Facilities

- Golf – Leaves on the course
- The River's Edge - Making some hiring progress but still challenging to recruit the needed staff.

Communication Updates

- Community Events (October-November)
 - **Mainstage Production: The Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad Treasure Hunt**
Saturdays, 10/15 & 10/22 | 1PM OR 4PM | Davenport Junior Theatre
Sundays, 10/16 & 10/23 | 3PM | Davenport Junior Theatre
 - **Movies in the Park (Ages: 18+) – A Nightmare on Elm Street** Friday, 10/21
(rescheduled due to weather) | 6-9PM | Credit Island Nature Preserve and Park
 - **Special Olympics State Volleyball Competition** Saturday, 10/22 | Ames, IA
 - **City of Davenport Halloween Parade** Sunday, 10/30 | 2PM | Downtown Davenport
 - **Fall Family Formal** Friday, 11/4 | 5:30-8:30PM | Mississippi Valley Fairgrounds-Starlite Ballroom

- **Sock Hop** Friday, 11/18 | 6-8:30PM | Mississippi Valley Fairgrounds-Starlite Ballroom
- **Fejervary Holiday Lights Display** Every Night Saturday, 11/26 – Sunday, 01/08 | 5-9:30PM | Fejervary Learning Center
- **Poinsettia and Lights Display** Tuesday-Sunday, 11/26 – 01/13 | 5:30-9PM | Vander Veer Conservatory
- Recreation Programs (September-October)
 - **NEW! The Secret Life of Trees** Thursday, 11/3 | Vander Veer Conservatory
 - **Fall Collage Theatre** Thursdays, 9/15-11/17 | 7-8PM | Duck Creek Lodge
 - **Fall Theatre and Dance Classes** Various days, 9/12-11/20 | Davenport Junior Theatre
 - **Fall Learn to Skate Classes** Various days, 10/24-12/31 | The River's Edge
 - **Friday Night Jams** Friday, 10/28 | Roosevelt Community Center
- Notable Dates (September-October)
 - AmeriCorps Program Launch in Des Moines, 10/19-10/20

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