

**Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee**  
**Meeting was held at the Veteran's Memorial Coliseum, 20 W State Street**  
**Meeting: July 21, 2021**

Members Present: Jeff Sogge, Steve Storjohann, Matt Tullis, Andrew Pool, Cindy Brodin  
Absent: Kim Barnes, Justin Strom  
Staff Present: Geoff Hubbard

**Approval of Minutes**

June minutes were reviewed and motioned by Sogge to approve, seconded by Brodin. All were in favor.

**2021 Plans**

Pillar Inc has been working on the demolition and replacement of concrete. We are waiting on the concrete stamps for the sidewalk poetry and moving the generator from behind Parks & Rec to the east side of the Coliseum.

The 6<sup>th</sup> Street Softball Complex parking lot has been paved, just in time for a State tournament to be held. Scoreboards that were knocked down in the derecho have also been replaced

Bids were received for the replacing 1.75 miles of the Linn Creek trail with concrete to Construct for \$495,000. They will begin work in early September.

Staff is working with some design and play features for Elks Park and will begin designing a plan for it later this summer. The project will include new 0-6 yr old play features, new basketball court, and leveling out the middle area of the park for a better play area.

**Summer Programs and Aquatic Center Updates**

Summer Blast, Camp Marshalltown and Live Wires/Sparks camps continues in the Coliseum with 80-100 kids showing up each week.

The pool has had a challenging summer with staffing issues but will be able to stay open until April 14. It will be open for water walking and lap swim everyday but there may be some days where the lazy river is closed when we don't have enough staff.

**Naming Rights Issues**

Cindy Soderberg has approached the City about naming the caboose at Mega-10 Park after her father, former Mayor of Marshalltown, Stan Brown. The City has a naming rights policy that requires the applicant to fill out information about the naming person first. For staff to review the information, get approval from the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board and the City Council. Once approved the facility or park can be named.

Park Board members discussed it and felt that member of the UP Railroad should also be recognized in their efforts, along with some history of the Caboose, why it was placed in Mega-10 Park, and some history of the railroad and the importance it has on Marshalltown and the

country while also naming the caboose after Stan Brown. Staff was directed to put together verbiage that explained all that and costs associated with the signage to be placed near the caboose. There is funding available in the Mega-10 fund for the sign.

Next meeting is at 4:15pm on August 18, 2021 at the Coliseum Conference Room, 20 W State Street.