

## **Hiawatha Parks and Recreation**

### **Regular Meeting**

**November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

Lynda Hembera called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m in the Council Chambers.

Present: Lynda Hembera, Deb Theis, Bill Hornett, Dan Wilkes. Absent: Dawn Ewoldt.  
Employees: Kelly Willadsen, Parks and Recreation Director, Ambyr Young, Recreation Coordinator. Guests: Dan Hoffman

Motion by Dan Wilkes, second by Deb Thies to approve the agenda of November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as amended. Motion carried.

Motion by Deb Theis, second by Dan Wilkes to approve the minutes of October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Motion carried.

#### **Business:**

**Proposal from HiCREW Kiwanis for concessions at Music in the Park-** Kelly Willadsen, Parks and Recreation Director recommended for commission to approve the proposal from Hi-CREW Kiwanis to sell concessions at the 2016 Music in the Park concert series because she had not received any other requests from other non-profits and Hi-CREW has been compliant and easy to work with. Hi-CREW Kiwanis has sold at Music in the Park and met all the requirements set by this policy and the Linn County Health Department in the past.

Motion was made by Deb Thies, second by Bill Hornett to approve the request of Hi-CREW Kiwanis to sell concessions at Hiawatha's 2016 Music in the Park concert series. Motion carried.

**Community Center Increase 2016-** Kelly Willadsen, Parks and Recreation Director advised the commission that with the Community Center continuing to get rented every weekend she would like to increase the rental rate for 2016. Since adding the non-resident rate there has not been a decrease in rentals but an increase from the surrounding cities. Over 2015 there was 231 rentals total, 104 out of Hiawatha, 44 which were City affiliated events, 77 from Cedar Rapids, 15 out of Marion and 35 from surrounding cities. It's not believed that an increase will affect the rentals, but will help to stay average in price range compared to other cities.

Kelly Willadsen recommended to commission to increase the non-resident and resident fee \$25.00 to make the costs for the facility as stated below:

**Resident:** \$150 per rental/\$225 all day

**Non-Resident:** \$175 per rental/\$250 all day

Motion by Dan Wilkes, second by Deb Thies to increase the Community Center rates by \$25 for both residents and non-residents effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. Motion carried.

Guest, Dan Hoffman, gave Parks and Recreation Director, Kelly Willadsen, information regarding Radio Field Day for 2016. Hoffman added that Hiawatha made the most contacts of all groups participating and that a lot of his group was impressed with Clark Park, calling the park a "hidden gem". Lynda Hembera added that the group left the park in perfect condition in 2015.

Motion by Bill Hornett, second by Dan Wilkes, to adjourn at 6:26 p.m. Motion carried.

Dawn Ewoldt, Chairperson

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ATTEST: Kelly Willadsen, Parks and Recreation Director

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