Hiawatha Parks and Recreation
Regular Meeting
March 14, 2017

Deb Theis called the meeting to order at 6:04p.m. in the Hiawatha Council Chambers. Present: Dan Gogel, Deb Theis, Dan Wilkes, Dawn Ewoldt Employees: Kelly Willadsen, Parks and Recreation Director, Ambyr Young, Administrative Coordinator, Kim Downs, City Administrator, Bill Bennett, Mayor. Guests: Dan Hoffman.
Motion by Dan Wilkes, second by Dan Gogel to approve the March 14, 2017 agenda as amended. Motion carried.
Motion by Dan Wilkes, second by Dan Gogel to approve the minutes of February 14, 2017. Motion carried.

Amateur Radio Field Day June 23rd – 25th, 2017:
ARRL Field Day is the most popular on-the-air event held annually in the US and Canada. On the fourth weekend of June, more than 35,000 radio amateurs gather with their clubs, groups or simply with friends to operate from remote locations. Field Day is an education event that is self sufficient and teaches Amateurs to operate in abnormal situations in case of emergency instances. June 23-25th a local Amateur Group in the Hiawatha/Cedar Rapids area would like to use Clark Park as a designated location. With that said it would require that the park stay open 24 hours, past our 10PM curfew. There would be 24 hours shifts that these Amateurs would cover to connect with as many stations as possible that weekend (the whole objective of the event). The park would still be open to the public besides the disc golf course. They would need to set up portable antennas that would be between 30-40ft high. This group carries insurance and is very self efficient. This year the Hiawatha Fire Department will not be involved so we will be asking for a $1,000.00 refundable damage deposit along with the Clark Pavilion Rental. I would like your approval for this event to take place in the park on June 23-25th and to extend park hours for the length of this event.

Motion made by Dan Wilkes, second by Dan Gogel to approve the Cedar Valley Amateur Radio Club's request to hold Amateur Radio Field Day at Clark Park the weekend of June 23-25, 2017 . Motion carried.

Kona requested by the Arc for Sunday Fun Day event on September 17th, 2017:
The Arc of East Central Iowa would like to request that Kona Ice of Cedar Rapids be onsite at their annual Sunday Fun Day event on Sunday, September 17th, 2017 from 1-3pm. They would like to provide a treat that is sugar, gluten and nut free which Kona Ice provides. The Arc works with developmental disabilities and people that need to follow strict dietary guidelines. They have already rented a park pavilion for their event. Kona would only be able to serve to the Arc's event guests.

Motion made by Dan Wilkes, second by Dan Gogel to approve the Arc of East Central Iowa's request to allow Kona Ice at Tucker Park on Sunday, September 17th from 1-3PM. Motion carried.

HKL request to install solar panel on concession stand:
The Hiawatha Kids League has applied for a grant through Rockwell Collins to acquire a small solar panel device and power supply with the intent to install on the Guthridge Park concession stand. This would power the refrigeration units, lighting and popcorn machine. HKL will find out if the grant is approved on April 21st. My concerns with this project are that they use the concession stand for about three months out of the year and we cannot guarantee that there will not be any damage done by park users. They currently pay on average about $300.00 per month during the usage of the concession stand. They will not see a cost savings right away but over time.

Motion made by Dan Wilkes, second by Dan Gogel to table Hiawatha Kids League request until additional information is provided. Motion carried.

Reports:

- **Kids Movie Night:** March 10th will be the next kids movie night featuring the Secret Life of Pets. This will be the last spring movie night until fall. Movie Starts at 6:30pm.
- **Taste of the Tropics:** Learn how to transform fresh ingredients into delicious meals. This hands on class will show you how to work with fresh citrus zest and ginger. We will make 2 recipes for you to sample. We will make a cake in the microwave and a healthy appetizer. Bring your own drink. Registrations due by April 3rd. April 17th at 6pm in the Community Center.
- **Pinterest Party Cork n Craft:** Five ladies made a state of Iowa string art on March 7th in the Community Center. Our next Pinterest Party takes place in June and will be geometric canvas art. $25 6PM June 6th.
- **Zumba:** Join us in the Hiawatha Community Center to try something new and burn some calories too! Brooke Lenz, Zumba certified instructor, will get you in the groove as you dance for 30 minutes and have some fun! Come try it out for FREE! March 9 and April 13 at 5:30-6:00pm in the Community Center.
- **Candlelight Yoga:** February Candlelight Yoga had 5 in attendance. Come try it for yourself in the Community Center at 6:45PM on March 30th or April 27th or both!
- **Kids in the Kitchen:** Registration was full! Children made their own pizza and decorated a giant cookie all while learning kitchen safety. Children got to take home their very own pizza stone for future use! April 12th in the Community Center. $25 registration fee.
- **Super Sitters:** Registration is full! This is our third year hosting Super Sitters in the Hiawatha Community Center. Michelle Altimaier from Mercy Medical Center and her assistant will be teaching a certified babysitter class through the American Red Cross. This

takes place on March 15th from 8:30am to 2:30pm. Fee is $20. Hiawatha is receiving $5 back for every child registered.

- **Photo Backup Class:** Learn how to safely back up, store and organize your family's photos. Also learn what it takes to safely keep your photos from being damaged and lost and much more. $25 March 29th at 6pm in the Hiawatha Community Center.
- **Live Healthy Iowa 5K:** The City of Hiawatha Parks & Recreation have partnered with Live Healthy Iowa to host 1 of 14 5K races around the state of Iowa in conjunction with the Live Healthy Iowa 10 Week Challenge. This partnership is a collaborative effort in a way to combat Iowa's growing obesity problem and to make strides toward the goal of making Iowa the healthiest state in the nation! The 5K will begin at 8:00a.m. with a kids 1K to follow at 9:00a.m. Register at LiveHealthyIowa.com **5K Early deadline (**March 31) $20.00 ($10.00 for Live Healthy Iowa participants) **Late deadline** (April 7 NOON) $25.00 ($15.00 for Live Healthy Iowa participants) T-Shirt not guaranteed not guaranteed a T-shirt. **Kids 1K $5.00** On site entry $5.00
- **Chase Norton Memorial:** April 9, 2017 Come enjoy a great disc golf tournament at Fay Clark Park. The annual Hiawatha Open kicks off the year for disc golfers throughout the eastern Iowa corridor. Find more information at www.iowadiscgolf.net
- **Hiawatha Easter Egg Hunt:** The Annual Hiawatha Easter Egg Hunt is a fun, family event filled with surprises! Eggs will be spread in the grass at Guthridge Park. Children will also get to visit with the Hiawatha Easter Bunny. Event is held rain or shine. This event is sponsored by Roasters Coffee House. Saturday, April 15th 9:00 a.m. in Guthridge Park Don't be late! Eggs vanish in minutes!
- **Hiawatha Farmers Market:** The firs Hiawatha Farmers Market takes place on April 23 and continues through October 29 "Hiawatha Farmers Market brings the taste of Iowa Producers to you." 10th Avenue parking lot of Guthridge Park Sundays 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. It's your neighborhood get-together! Market is held rain or shine.

Motion by Dawn Ewoldt, second by Dan Gogel, to adjourn at 6:29 p.m. Motion carried.

Deb Theis, Chairperson

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ATTEST: Kelly Willadsen, Parks and Recreation Director

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