Hiawatha Parks and Recreation
Regular Meeting
January 10, 2017

Dan Wilkes called the meeting to order at 6:28p.m. in the Council Chambers at Hiawatha City Hall. Present: Deb Thies, Dan Wilkes, Dawn Ewoldt, Absent: Brandon Lynch Employees: Kelly Willadsen, Parks and Recreation Director, Ambyr Young, Administrative Coordinator, Kim Downs, City Administrator, Bill Bennett, Mayor of Hiawatha. Guests: Dan Hoffman.

Motion by Deb Thies, second by Dawn Ewoldt to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Motion by Dawn Ewoldt, second by Dan Wilkes to approve the minutes of December 13, 2016. Motion carried.

Motion made by Dan Wilkes, second by Deb Thies, to table election of chairs to following meeting. Motion carried.

Kona Ice: Kelly Willadsen, Director of Parks and Recreation, has contacted Jon and Rachel Booms with Kona Ice inquiring to come out to Adventure Camp every other week for the 2017 season along with the first Movies Under the Moon date on July 21st and the Hiawatha Fun Fest event on August 26th. With the great feedback from the kids and staff, Kelly recommended to commission to approve Kona Ice to come to Adventure Camp, Movies Under the Moon and Fun Fest with the permission given from the Parks and Recreation staff and completed City vendor qualified forms. These are the temporary dates scheduled with commission's approval. Motion was made by Deb Thies, second by Dawn Ewoldt to approve Kona Ice's presence at Adventure Camp and Movies under the Moon.

Volunteer Opportunities for 2016:

Kids Movie Nights –January 13th, March 10th, September 8th & November 10th - Dawn

Starting at 6:00pm in the Hiawatha Community Center

Live Healthy Iowa 5K Run/Walk – April 8th – Dan & Deb

Registration starts at 7 am in Guthridge Park

Live Healthy Iowa Track Meet- May 19th - Dan

Field Events for kids 7-14 (More Details to Come)

Partnership with Marion

Easter Egg Hunt – April 15th – Deb will help set up. Deb, Dawn and Dan may have someone to be the Easter Bunny.

Set up starting at 7:00am in Guthridge Park

Bike Parade and Rodeo – May 26th - Dan

Guthridge Park Basketball Courts & Friends of Hiawatha Parks & Recreation

From 4:30-6:00pm at Guthridge Park

Hiawatha Fun Fest – August 25th & 26th – All board members

Located at Guthridge Park

Movies Under the Moon July 25st & August 26th

Located in the band shell movies start at dusk

Adventure Camp – 1st session starts June 12th – Deb is available Friday mornings and Dan

Interviews

Music in the Park – Fridays – August 4, 11, 18, 25

Concerts are from 6-9:00pm in Guthridge Park

Touch a Truck – August 4th - Dawn

At Guthridge Park 6-8 pm –

NFL Punt, Pass Kick Competition – August 30th 5-7pm Marion - Dan

Ages 6-15 Competition, need volunteers to measure and record

Fall Festival – October 29th – Dawn, Deb and Dan

Guthridge Park 10:30am – 2:30pm

Santa's Reindeer Run 5k – December 2nd

Set up starting at 7:00am

Reports:

- **Program Brochure 2017:** The 2017 Program Brochure was sent in to get printed on January 3rd. Once we get the brochures in we will distribute them around town and to the Hiawatha Schools. All the programs are available online to register for 2017! We are keeping our fingers crossed that the website will work efficiently this year.
- **Santa Letters:** We had 40 Santa letter come through for 2016, almost double of what we had last year.

- **Community Center Audio Visual:** The audio visual system panels are complete and work great. Unfortunately the sound never got updated so we are working through that right now. The static noise is still in existence and may take more work than anticipated.
- **Kids Movie Night:** January 13th will be our first Kids Movie Night of 2017. The movie this month will be Finding Dory.
- **Taste of Italy Cooking Class:** In this hands on class learn to make a quick flat bread from scratch and a refreshing salad with an Italian twist! Learn the technique to transform veggies into noodles. Take home the recipes for future use. Be ready to sample and bring your own drink; (red wine goes great with this menu). Fee $30. Max participants 10, min 5. February 1st at 6 o'clock.
- **Pinterest Party Cork n Craft:** Here's a great idea for a girls night in... Cork and Craft Pinterest party! It's a fun way to get friends together to eat, gab, and craft. Who doesn't love Pinterest? And who doesn't pin crafts they'll probably never make? Well, here's a way to fix that! Lead by Laura Himschoot, we'll work together to make fun crafts that you can keep for your own or give as a gift. We'll provide all of the supplies and clean up the mess! You just need to pre-register and show up. Space is limited, so gather your friends and register today! BYOB! Fee: $25.00 February 7th: String Art
- **Zumba:** Join us in the Hiawatha Community Center on January 12th for a chance 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! We will have one class every month from January to April. Jan 12, Feb 9, March 9, April 13
- **Lil Cougar Dance Clinic:** January 22nd the Kennedy Dance team has partnered will offer a dance clinic for kids Kindergarten through 5th grade. Registration is only $20 and includes pom poms.
- **Candlelight Yoga:** Wind down with a gentle Yoga flow in this sixty minute restorative class led by Kayla Davis. This restorative class will stretch your body and release the stress of the hectic week. Opening your body and mind, you will leave calmer, relaxed, and more present. This takes place Jan 26, Feb 23, March 30, and April 27. Preregistration is $8 online or drop in is $10.
- **Hi-Crew Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast:** Join Hi-Crew Kiwanis at our 7th Annual Pancake Breakfast with Omelet Bar on February 11th. Enjoy heart-shaped pancakes, sausage, and omelet bar with all the fixins' coffee, milk, and juice. Face Painting & Craft table for the Kids to make Valentines! FREE WILL DONATIONS GREATLY APPRECIATED. Funds raised will help children in our community! Hiawatha Parks and Recreation offers the Community Center at no cost for Hi-Crew Kiwanis to hold this event. Come eat and support a great cause!

Motion by Deb Thies, second by Dawn Ewoldt, to adjourn at 6:51 p.m. Motion carried.

Lynda Hembera, Chairperson

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ATTEST: Kelly Willadsen, Parks and Recreation Director

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