



City of Hastings
Parks & Recreation

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Parks & Recreation Commission Agenda

Tuesday, April 11th, 2017 – 6:00 PM
City Hall – Council Chambers Room

I. Call to Order 6:00 pm

Present: Director Chris Jenkins, Commissioners: Jo Lyn Augesen, Nicole DePalma, Dave Pemble, Chelsea Piskor, Ben Spader, Commission Chair, Jordan Polehna, and Recreation Programmer, Paige Marschall Bigler
Absent: Commissioner Joe Quinn

Commission meeting called to order by Commission Chair, Jordan Polehna at 6:06 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Recreation Programmer Paige Marschall Bigler, Commissioner, Dave Pemble, Commissioner, Ben Spader, Chair, Jordan Polehna, Commissioner, Nicole DePalma, Commissioner, Chelsea Piskor, Commissioner Jo Lyn Augesen, Parks and Recreation Director, Chris Jenkins

III. Determination of Quorum

Quorum is present 6:7

IV. Approval of Minutes

- a. Approve Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting on March 14, 2017

Commissioner Dave Pemble motioned to approve minutes. Commissioner DePalma seconded approval of minutes

V. New Business 6:10 pm

- a. Hastings Family Aquatic Center – presentation and Q&A session by Aquatics Manager, Theresa Faustini

Aquatics Manager, Theresa Faustini gave an overview of her employment with the City of Hastings and personal background. Faustini provided a detailed presentation regarding the Hastings Family Aquatic Center, in past and present, including new structural changes and how the changes benefit the Hastings community and visitors. She outlined the programs and classes offered at the Aquatic Center. Faustini also shared about aquatic staff and highlighted the 90% retention rate. Commissioner Pemble asked about protocol for bad weather. Faustini provided pool protocol for varying weather situations. Commissioner Polehna asked when the pool opens for the season. The pool opens June 4th, 2017 at Noon. Commissioner Piskor asked about family swim and how it is different than regular pool hours. Faustini explained families are welcome to bring swim inflatables on Sundays, 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Commissioner Augesen asked about discounted pool rates. The pool is discounted after 5:00 p.m. when the pool is open until 7:00 p.m. for open swim. Faustini provided an overview of the concession stand, past vandalism and mechanical issues. She also gave an overview of the operational budget including expenses and revenue.

- b. Which P&R function to focus on next month?

Commissioners expressed interest to focus on Sports and Recreation at the next Commission meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 9th

VI. Department Updates 6:40 pm

- a. DNR Grant Status

Director Jenkins shared the updated status of the DNR Grants. He applied for a total of five Grants and the results should be in by June, 2017.

b. Spring Activities

Jenkins shared spring maintenance activities are in full swing; including parks, fields, and the aquatic center.

c. EAB: Park Trees, Boulevard Trees

Director Jenkins met with the Parks and Recreation Committee of Council and focused on a plan to educate and communicate the public regarding treatment of trees. A budget adjustment will be proposed to City Council this spring for an internal program to purchase equipment and insecticide.

Commissioner Pemble motioned to adjourn meeting. Commissioner Spader seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned 7:40 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 9th, 2017 at 6:00pm

All times are approximate