

MEETING MINUTES
The City of Polk City
Parks Commission
6:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 5, 2016
City Hall

Polk City, Parks Commission held a meeting at 6:00 p.m., on July 5, 2016. The Agenda was posted at the City Hall office as required by law. **These tentative minutes reflect all action taken at the meeting.**

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| <p><u>Parks Commission Members Present:</u> Sam Hill Parks Commission Member (Acting Chair) David Hiatt Parks Commission Member Bob Fourez Parks Commission Member Andy Johnson Parks Commission Member Kelley Haaland Parks Commission Member</p> <p><u>Parks Commission Members Absent:</u> Audrey Bell Chair Josh Reed Pro Tem</p> <p><u>Additional Attendees:</u> David Dvorak City Council Liaison Ken Morse Tree Board Liaison</p> | <p><u>Staff Members Present:</u> Becky Leonard Deputy City Clerk Terri Keasey Summer Recreation Director</p> |
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1. **Call to Order** / Acting Chair Hill called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **Roll Call** / Hiatt, Fourez, Hill, Johnson, Haaland | In attendance
Bell, Reed | Absent
3. **Approval of Minutes**
MOTION: A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Hiatt to approve the May 2, 2016 Meeting Minutes
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
4. **Audience Items** | *No discussion*
5. **New Business**
 - a. **Summer Parks and Recreation Program Update by Terri Keasey**
Terri Keasey, Summer Recreation Director, shared the summer recreation programs are in their third week with five more weeks to go.
 - Approximately 90 participants attended swim lessons.
 - The program has 129 participants in the summer recreation.
 - Art camp is also in its third week. There was enough of a response to open an additional time for participants from Halley’s Academy.
 - Terri stated all the group leaders came back from last year.
 - The staff and participants are enjoying the program.The commission thanked Terri and her staff for their efforts and hard work to ensure another successful year.
 - b. **Lakeside Linear Park Update by Ken Morse**
Ken Morse shared a map of the Lakeside Linear Park area and what it would look like with a 10-foot wide meandering mulch path. The cost and maintenance would be minimal. The commission liked the conceptual plan and Acting Chair Hill requested this

item be added to next month's agenda so the commission can consider recommending Council approve.

6. **Tree Board Liaison Report** / Ken Morse shared statistics from an emerald ash borer article which appeared in the Des Moines Register July 2, 2016. The article stated two more counties in Iowa have confirmed ash borer bringing the total to 34 counties in the state.
7. **Council Liaison Report** | Councilman Dvorak stated the split rail fence at Doc Simmer Memorial Park has been installed and it looks nice. He also shared that Lost Lake Plats 3 and 4 were approved by Council and the parkland was satisfied with Plat 1 and 2. He has requested City Staff review the overall Park dedication model since a developer can pay the City \$8,000.00 in lieu of providing dedicated parkland, which he feels defeats the purpose of the parkland initiative.
8. **Staff Report** / Becky Leonard, Deputy City Clerk, stated two trees would be removed from the town square at a cost of \$1,800.00 to clear space for the previously approved playground renovation.
9. **Public Works Report** | No Report
10. **Commission Report** | Haaland asked the commission if it would be worthwhile to create a survey for residents to see what they would like to see more of/less of in our City parks. Haaland will draft a survey to share at a future meeting.
11. **Adjournment**
MOTION: A motion was made by Fourez and seconded by Johnson to adjourn at 6:37 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Next Meeting Date – Monday, August 1, 2016

Becky Leonard – Deputy City Clerk