

# Marshalltown Park and Recreation Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes  
October 14, 2009

## Opening:

Darrell Eaton called the regular meeting of the Marshalltown Park and Recreation Advisory Board to order at 4:20 p.m. on October 14, 2009 in the Park & Recreation Conference Room.

## Present:

Darrell Eaton, Jeffrey Sogge, Kim Smith, Joel Grier, Terry Gray, Janet Weis, Todd Eipperle.

## Approval of Minutes

The motion to approve the minutes of the last advisory board minutes was made by Joel Grier and seconded by Kim Smith. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote.

## Business

- **Director's report (4:22 p.m.)** Terry Gray reported.

Thirteen hunters have taken 4 does so far in the urban deer hunting season. The season runs from September 19, 2009 until the end of January.

The Skate Park Rally had about fifty people in attendance and presented a Oktoberfest parade entry that was popular. The concert profited \$1,053.00 for the Skate Park fund.

The Dog Park Task Force currently has raised \$17,000 towards the \$30,000 goal.

The Park and Recreation Department now has a Facebook page.

The Assistance League has donated \$1,500 for safety surfacing under the play equipment at the east end of Riverview Park.

- **Zink Trailhead (4:35 p.m.)** Terry Gray reported.

The advisory board reviewed a proposed plaque to be set at the trailhead of the Linn Creek Recreational Trail. More than two years ago a donation was made in honor of Phil and Anne Zink's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The donation will go towards a plaque set at the trailhead on a large stone. Jeff Sogge will edit the proposed sign and present another format at a later date.

- **French Park (4:40 p.m.)**

The JBS Swift and Company is planning to add a large, cold storage building to their Marshalltown plant. The current plan is for the plant to take over the property that is now French Park. Park and Recreation has been asked to submit a cost estimate of the relocation of the recreational amenities currently available at French Park. Joel Grier made a motion to submit a cost estimate of \$300,000

for the amenities at French Park and for relocation. Jeff Sogge seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- **Other Business (5:39 p.m.)**

The issue of naming parks and features in the park system has arisen again. The Dog Park Task Force has inquired about the rules for possibly naming the park after a substantial donor. The task force will be advised not to offer naming the park after a specific donor. If the possibility would arise, the Dog Park Task Force should bring a proposal to the Park and Recreation department for review and a decision would be made at that time.

- **Adjournment:**

Darrell Eaton adjourned the meeting at 5:43 pm. The next general meeting will be at 4:15 pm on November 11, 2009 in the Park and Recreation conference room.

Minutes submitted by:

Janet Weis