

- Role Call Present were: Mr. Easley; Mr. Binnebose; Mr. Nelson; Mr. Pearson and Mr. Diaz.
- Public Forum Dennis Wilson, Mason City, gave an update on the Cannonball Gardens in East Park.
- Special Orders none
- Board Reports Mr. Diaz received a call regarding a ramp at the Skate Board Park, Parks Dept. will check on it. Also wondering why there are no portable restrooms there. Bob Berggren stated, every time they put one out there, it get vandalized. Mr. Easley reported; Mr. McGee had contacted him, requesting to put some fencing around some areas when Band Festival is downtown. Bob B. will contact Mr. McGee and talk to him about it. Mr. Pearson commented on a couple of bushes that needed to be trimmed on the Course at Highland Park, Brian Pauly stated he will have it taken care of.
- Staff Reports Bob Berggren reported; work has begun on the basketball court in Georgia Hanford Park. The Kiwanis Club is discussing improvements to Kiwanis Park, such as, landscaping, shelter, playground, etc. The Gardeners of North Iowa are planning improvements to the garden in East Park, such as added rocks, benches and other plantings. Park staff is working on the pool, campgrounds, turning on water to facilities, setting up soccer fields and ball diamonds, along with mowing soon. I will be working on obtaining quotes for trail maintenance, fall surfacing at Parkers Woods, shelter doors, dog waste stations and other equipment on the CIP list. George Barker, City Electrician, is working on the electrical pedestal at the band shell for the stage. Staff attended session 2 of the Sustainable Urban Forest Training that went over Tree ID, i-tree technology and public outreach. Staff will be installing benches for the Garden Club, Craig Binnebose and Dick O'Donnell in East Park and Georgia Hanford Park.
- Brian Pauly reported; Highland Park Golf Course is now open, we put up cages in cart shed, down to 7 new spaces, filled 13. Kitchen will open on the 20th. Lensing is now open in Golf Shop. MacNider Campgrounds is open, Anderson's the managers have started. Spring Programs at the Recreation Office are all underway, taking registration for all Spring and Summer Programs.
- Consent Agenda Mr. Easley moved to approve Minutes dated 3/10/15. Mr. Binnebose second the motion. All voted Yea. Motion carried.
- New Business MC Recreation Office – Location – 3 options were present by Brian Pauly. # 1 City Hall / Blue Zone area with Programs & Equipment at different locations. # 2 City Hall / Blue Zone area & partnering with the YMCA, who would hire all our staff and run Programs. # 3 move into the west side of the Senior Center on 4th St NE, which would house all of our equipment, staff and Programs. Mr. Binnebose moved to accept Option 3. Mr. Easley second the motion. All voted Yea. Motion carried.
- Norris Youth Complex – Playground Project (CIP) - recommendation is to authorize purchase of a playground from Boland Recreation from Marshalltown, Iowa for \$47,700. Payment will come from the Norris Youth Softball Complex Playground CIP Project and the Norris Youth Softball Fund. Mr. Pearson moved to approve the purchase from Boland Recreation for the amount of \$47,700.00 Mr. Binnebose second the motion. All voted Yea. Motion carried.

Frederick Hanford Improvements (CIP) – recommendation to purchase 3 softball score boards from Boland Recreation for the amount of \$12,550.00. Mr. Binnebose moved to approve the purchase at \$12,550.00. Mr. Easley second the motion. All voted Yea. Motion carried.

Unfinished
Business none

Discussion Miracle Field – was once looked at to put by the Norris Youth Complex. This is an all inclusive field for Special needs, would like to partner with Volunteer Services. Brian Pauly would like to create a Community Board, thinking out by Frederick Hanford Ball Diamonds would be a good location.

Aquatic Center – Opening Date – the Park Board unanimously agreed to open Pool for the Season the first weekend in June (5th / 6th / 7th).

Adjournment Mr. Easley moved for adjournment. Mr. Diaz second the motion. All voted Yea. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.