PRESENT: Matt Garrett, Rob McCoy, Ray Werner, Rebecca Kuhle, Hobie Wood, Jennifer Tigges

ABSENT: Robin Kennicker

STAFF PRESENT: Steve Fehsal, Dan Kroger and Kristen Dietz

MINUTES APPROVED; VOTE:
It was moved by Werner, seconded by McCoy, to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2019 meeting. Unanimous.

PARK NAMING DISCUSSION:
Division Manager Fehsal informed the Commission the process for naming the parks established by the Commission and City Council. The next one needing names is the park area in Eagle Valley subdivision. Chairperson Kuhle made the recommendation of naming should be placed on the October Commission meeting.

PETS IN PARKS ORDINANCE DISCUSSION:
Chairperson Kuhle updated the Commission on the current progress of the Pet-Friendly Community Committee Work Group. An educational component will be constructed, and the Pet-Friendly Work Group will review and provide input related to a draft ordinance. Werner submitted his recommended ordinance proposal to the Commission. Werner’s proposed ordinance change includes 10-5B-4: DOGS CATS AND OTHER DOMESTIC ANIMALS section 1 adding Veterans Memorial within McAleece Park, any fenced-in sporting area including courts, fields, rinks, arenas, skateparks, etc, any buildings contributing to a National Register of Historical Places district or individual property listing, any area where signage exists prohibiting dogs, cats, or other animals, as approved by the Dubuque Park and Recreation Advisory Commission. McCoy made a motion for the recommendation of submission of the proposed ordinance change to city attorney’s office and to the Pet-Friendly Work Group for review. Wood seconded. Unanimous.

FACILITY TOUR:
Commissioners and staff boarded van at 4:46 p.m. to visit the following department facilities: Miracle League Field at Veteran’s Memorial Park, Welu Park, Usha Park, Falk Park, FDR Park, Creek Wood Park, Marina Ridge Children’s Forest, and Valentine Park. The van returned to Allison Henderson Building at approximately 6:40 p.m.
ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Werner, seconded by Tigges, to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m. Unanimous.