

**PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING**  
**Tuesday, December 10, 2019**  
**4:30 p.m., Bunker Hill Clubhouse, Snack Bar**

**PRESENT:** Matt Garrett, Rob McCoy, Rebecca Kuhle, Hobie Wood, Jennifer Tigges, Robin Kennicker

**ABSENT:** None.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Marie Ware, Dan Kroger, Steve Fehsal and Kristen Dietz

**MINUTES APPROVED; VOTE:**

Kennicker made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 12, 2019 meeting. Garrett seconded. Unanimous.

**PUBLIC INPUT:**

None.

**TREE CITY USA – REQUEST SUBMITTING APPLICATION TO RE-CERTIFY DUBUQUE AS A TREE CITY:**

Wood made a motion to approve the application for submission to City Council for recertification of Dubuque as a Tree City. Kennicker seconded. Unanimous.

**COMISKEY PARK PROJECT DISCUSSION:**

Recreation Division Manager Kroger gave the current update on the Comiskey Park Project. January 9, 2020 from 6 – 8 p.m. at Audubon Elementary School there will be the first community at large event. January 13, 2020 will be the individual stakeholders meeting in which the goal is to have 5 – 10 people per meeting. Two dates that need to be scheduled yet will be a Saturday in February for PARKitecture, a youth/teen event and a Monday in March for the second community at large event.

**PRESENTATION BY ROBIN MACFARLANE REGARDING PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN FOR PET-FRIENDLY DUBUQUE:**

Robin MacFarlane, owner of That's My Dog, gave her presentation of her draft educational Be Aware campaign for pet and non-pet owners to increase education and awareness. Robin currently serves on the Pet-Friendly Work Group committee. Robin's primary focus includes educational fliers, messages, presentation to groups, signage and creating partnerships with a potential launch date of January 1, 2020.

**PETS IN PARKS ORDINANCE/PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT DISCUSSION:**

The Commission reviewed the draft ordinance. Parks Division Manager Fehsal reviewed the potential timeframes. The Commission agreed that the next step will be to hold a public input meeting to be scheduled for January 14, 2020 from

6 – 8 p.m. at the City Council Chambers if available. They determined public input will be limited to 3 minutes per person. In addition, a survey will be available to the public from January 10 – 21st. All forms of input including phone calls, emails, and letters will also be accepted. All input will be compiled and shared with the Commission at the February 11, 2020 meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

It was moved by Tigges, seconded by Kennicker, to adjourn the meeting at 5:57 p.m. Unanimous.