



AGENDA

PLEASANT HILL PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS | 5160 MAPLE DR # A
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 9, 2023 | 6:00 PM

Meeting minutes will continue to be provided per the City's normal course of business. Members of the public may still attend the meeting in person or submit comments to the City Clerk prior to 4:30 PM on February 9th, 2023.

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES DECEMBER 8, 2022 REGULAR MEETING
4. PRESENTATION
 - a. PLEASANT HILL COMMUNITY INPUT SURVEY
5. TIME TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION – FIVE (5) MINUTE LIMIT
6. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS
7. CEMETERY
8. REPORTS
 - a. MONTHLY REPORT
 - b. PCC UPDATE (MEEK PROPERTY / COPPER CREEK)
9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS
 - a. OPERATIONS UPDATE
 - b. PARKS LIGHTING DISCUSSION
10. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting
March 9, 2023

**PLEASANT HILL PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
DECEMBER 8, 2022**

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Pleasant Hill Park and Recreation Commission Regular Session was called to order at 6:00 P.M. on December 8, 2022 by Chairperson Will. Present: Kayla DeBruin, Adam Fendrick, Konnor Hodges, Matthew Keller, Loren Lown, Christine Urish, and Matthew Will. Absent: None.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

LOWN/DEBRUIN motioned to approve the agenda. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 13, 2022 REGULAR SESSION

DEBRUIN/URISH motioned to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2022 regular session. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

4. PRESENTATION – POLK COUNTY URBAN DEER HUNT PROGRAM

Charlie Finch – Park Ranger PCC - Discussed history of program from late 90s; help control urban deer pop; task force has rep from each community; come up with common rules for program for consistency throughout county, but each municipality may differ; all cities get tags from state DNR to harvest does; annual harvest reports; aerial reports of deer populations; over population increases malnutrition, diseases, car/deer incidents, etc.; hunter application requirements, resident of Iowa, certifications, archery proficiency test (annual), yearly mandatory hunter orientation for rules overview, ID cards, tags, tec.; hunting/restricted areas may change from year to year; seasons posted by DNR and separate than regular seasons; several levels of registration before hunting tags issued; hunters vetted, watch list of potential problem hunters, black list for banned hunters, black list shared with all entities, rules more strict than normal bow hunting regulations, "I didn't know" not a valid excuse, and local municipality has final say on if problem hunter can participate in the city; program stats, harvest counts, doe tags vs buck tags, minimal issues throughout the program, no injuries, and successful program; how aerial counts are completed, cost, accuracy vs weather and number variations; population thresholds and now in maintenance stage; DMWW deer population comparison program participation vs non-participant; state law regarding retrieval of deer from private property; and other large Iowa cities have adopted programs modeled after Polk County's program.

5. TIME TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION

None

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

DEBRUIN/KELLER moved to nominate Matt Will as Chair. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

DEBRUIN/KELLER moved to nominate Christine Urish as Vice-Chair. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

B. 2023-2024 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (CIP) BUDGET

Commissioners and City Staff discussed and identified project and purchase priorities for fiscal year 2023-2024.

- Copper Creek Lake Park – Trail resurfacing and lighting upgrades
- Doanes Park – Roadway/sidewalk repairs; North Shelter utility service installation
- Meacham Place Park – Park development
- Hickory Glen – Trail development
- Equipment Replacement – Playground items; skid loader, brush cat attachments, and other maintenance equipment reaching end of life.
- Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update
- New Trail Development

KELLER moved to recommend 2023-2024 CIP Budget without Copper Creek Lake Park lighting repair and replacement on the priority list. Motion failed for lack of a second.

DEBRUIN/HODGES moved to recommend the 2023-2024 CIP Budget as presented with replacement of maintenance equipment identified as a top priority. Ayes: DeBruin, Fendrick, Hodges, Lown, Will, and Urish. Nays: Keller. Abstained: None. Motion carried

7. CEMETERY

None

8. REPORTS

A. MONTHLY REPORT

- Expanding trail development at Hickory Glen Park
- Successful safety audit of Doanes Park Youth Center
- Fish Iowa! Rod and reel check-out program concluded with 97 participants

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

- Comments and discussion included:

- NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING – January 12, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.
- Commissioner Lown requested a future discussion of over-lighting of parks, safe lighting vs lighting tone, and potential trail expansion south of E University Ave along Four Mile Creek.

10. ADJOURNMENT

KELLER/LOWN motioned to adjourn. Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 P.M.



Jennifer Bartles
Recording Secretary



January 2023

Volunteers	-
Volunteer Hours for January	-
Total Volunteers/Hours	-
Park Shelter/Facility Rentals	13
Programs Offered/Participants	2/48
Partner Events	-
Parks Special Events	-
Event Attendance	-
Special Event Requests	3
Revenue Collected	\$8,295

Engagement Analytics for January

Social Media Reach	1,768
Net Followers	+4 (1,016 Total)
Website Page Visits	1,764
Unique Page Visits	1,480

Monthly Highlights:

- Successfully submitted for the Mayors' Monarch Pledge (<https://www.nwf.org/mayorsmonarchpledge>)
- Continued progress with the Hickory Glen Park Pavilion
- Urban Deer Hunt completed with 14 total hunters (3 incentive bucks, 12 does)
- Stream bank stabilization at Copper Creek Lake Park (partner project with Public Works)



Pleasant Hill Parks and Recreation

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💧 **Did you know?** The Fourmile Creek Watershed consists of nearly 80,000 acres of urban and agricultural communities. It's also home to over 80,000 residents (Pleasant Hill included).

The City is continuing to improve streambank stabilization on creek tributaries in order to protect infrastructure, like our trail system at [Copper Creek Lake Park](#). A special thanks to our [City of Pleasant Hill, Iowa](#) Public Works Department for their assistance on this project.

👉 **Why is this important?**

In addition to extreme flooding issues, Fourmile Creek has a long history of erosion and poor water quality, caused by:

- Above-normal precipitation and runoff volumes
- Impervious surfaces
- Agricultural practices

Watershed stabilization projects help protect native habitat, which provides a natural means to remove pollutants from stormwater, lower overall flow rates, and reduce sediment transport.

🔧 Further stabilization measures are planned through a partnership with Polk County Conservation and the Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations (WFPO) Program. The estimated timeline for this project is 2024.



Link:

<https://www.facebook.com/PleasantHillParksandRecreation/posts/pfbid0p7RQo1B5uws8uzvbTYVCVCPSeRCTNg746onG7pXfxom5dVLfR9tKe3uQdabvQeMsI>

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Hickory Glen Park Pavilion (2/2/23)



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Recent Reviews:

Copper Creek Lake Park



Alek White

Local Guide · 16 reviews



★★★★☆ 3 months ago

Great walking path year round. Watch for ice in low parts of the track. Stop by and have a bite to eat between laps :)

← Reply Like



Jacqueline Carr

Local Guide · 24 reviews



★★★★★ 4 months ago

Great place to walk, run, bike, skate, walk your dog, take ur kids to play at the park, fish, etc

← Reply Like

Doanes Park



Miss Jessica

Local Guide · 18 reviews



★★★★★ 4 months ago

I like this park. It has baseball fields, which I like to play at. They have a soccer area, tennis. There is a playground. It also has a wooded trail to adventure through. It's clean.

← Reply Like



Jason White

Local Guide · 155 reviews · 333 photos



★★★★★ 3 months ago

Nice local park with baseball fields and tennis courts

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