

**Proposed Minutes
Mt. Pleasant Parks and Recreation Commission
Tuesday, July 26, 2011
7:00 p.m., City Hall**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** - Meeting called to order at 7:02 by Chair R. Roberts.
- II. **ATTENDANCE AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**
 - A. Commission Members: Alsager, Boyle, Carlson, Daniels, Roberts
 - B. Parks and Recreation Staff: Anthony, Bundy, Way
 - C. Guests: None
 - D. Public Attendance: None
- III. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES & COMMISSION BUSINESS**
 - A. Changes/Approval of Agenda – No changes were made and the agenda was approved as presented.
 - B. Approval of Minutes — A motion was made by Comm. Carlson, second by Comm. Alsager to approve the minutes of Tuesday, May 24, 2011.
MOTION CARRIED.
- V. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.
- VI. **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**
 - A. Parks – Director Bundy gave the following update:
 - Thanks to the Home Depot employees for helping plant trees and playground work at Chipp-a-Waters Park on June 16.
 - Staff continuing to treat and replace trees infected with the emerald ash borer.
 - It has been a very busy year for softball tournaments, and the Parks staff is responsible for field prep as well as trash/recycling and restroom maintenance.
 - Proposing to add an access to the Riverwalk Trail from parking area at Island Park.
 - Started irrigation at Sunnyside Park soccer fields.

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- The sand from the sand castle built for the Downtown Event was put to good use; Parks used in the Island Park volleyball courts!
- B. Recreation – Rec. Manager Riaan Anthony reported on the following programs and events:
- Eric VanHevel left the city on June 17th to take a director position in Chelsea, MI. With staff Carol Moody still off on maternity leave, seasonal Kevin Troshak moved to a temporary full-time position.
 - Hosted a 102 team ASA softball tournament July 1-4 for ages U12, U14, U16 and U18. Also hosted the U18 Great Lakes Regional qualifier July 16th at Island Park.
 - Planning underway for the U16 Northern National softball tournament to be held at Island Park and Lower Pickens August 2 – 7 with 55 teams participating from Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan.
 - Walk Mt. Pleasant! is coming to a close, with the last walk scheduled for August 4th.
 - Sand Volleyball leagues at Island Park on Tues/Thurs.
 - Start Smart golf wrapped up its session with a trip to Putt Putt Golf.
 - Farmer's Markets running on Thursdays (Island Park) and Saturdays (Town Center).
 - Post season softball and sand volleyball tournaments scheduled for August.
 - PEAK summer camp coming to an end on August 5th with 353 participants. Super Summer Showcase to be held Thursday, August 4th, 5:30 pm at Plachta Auditorium.
 - Battle of the Bands held Friday, July 22nd at Island Park.
 - Needs assessment bids closed. Staff evaluating proposals and choosing a vendor.

VII. OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

- A. Capital Improvement Plan – Chris Bundy presented the 2012 – 2016 CIP to the Commission.
- B. Access Adventure Trail Project – The Community Foundation has been awarded an additional grant to complete the Access Adventure Trail

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project at Chipp-a-Waters Park. This grant was given to update or add to the accessible recreation project sites that were created by the first round of grants. Staff proposes to add 800 LF of trail, 140 LF of boardwalk, and interpretive signage.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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