

## Waukee Park Board Minutes – February 18, 2021

1. Roll call was taken at 6:03 p.m. Board Members present included: Mackenzie Kaplan, Megan McAtee, Blake Crow, Ali Payne, Kellie Staiert, and Josh Loeffelholz. Members absent: Ethan Owens, Troy Taylor, and Bridgit Horvatin.
2. A motion was made by J. Loeffelholz to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by M. McAtee. Motion carried.
3. A motion was made by M. McAtee to approve the January 21, 2021 meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by A. Payne. Motion carried.
4. Board Members and Staff introduced themselves and gave a brief background of themselves.
5. A motion was made by J. Loeffelholz to table items #5 and #6 until next meeting. Motion was seconded by A. Payne. Motion carried.
6. Assistant Parks & Recreation Director, Josh VandeKamp, gave an update regarding the Easter Egg Hunt.
  - a. Typically held the Saturday morning before Easter. Staff has been weighing different options to safely hold the event
    - i. Option 1: Have event as normal with face coverings being required of everyone
    - ii. Option 2: Take registrations and have a limited number sign-ups per age group. Use the Centennial Park ball fields to hold each age group and allow them to spread out
    - iii. Option 3: Take registrations and have a take home Easter egg hunt complete with activities and other things to take home
  - b. The Board and Staff discussed pros and cons of each type of event. Board discussed COVID protocols and facial coverings for the younger groups. CDC guidelines will be followed for the event.
  - c. The Board agreed to wait on making a decision and see what other information comes out from surrounding communities and the CDC
7. A motion was made by A. Payne to approve the 4<sup>th</sup> of July band contract. Motion was seconded by J. Loeffelholz. Motion carried.
8. A motion was made by A. Payne to approve the 4<sup>th</sup> of July stage contract. Motion was seconded by M. McAtee. Motion carried.
9. Parks & Recreation Director, Matt Jermier, presented his director's report to the Board.
  - a. Staff will be moving forward with summer recreation programming and plan as normal with some COVID protocols in place for each specific program
  - b. Triumph Park is still progressing and will see a lot of progress over the next month with the weather warming up
  - c. The Heart of the Warrior trail extension will be paused due to the development not being started yet. Once development starts, the trail extension will continue
  - d. Staff will be working with the Fire Department and Police next week to determine a new parade route for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. The new five way roundabout construction will begin soon and will force a route change for the parade.
10. A motion was made by A. Payne to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Motion was seconded by M. McAtee. Motion carried.

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