

**MINUTES: DECORAH PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING**  
**7:00pm, Thursday, August 19, 2021, Whalen Cabin at Phelps Park**

*Chairman Rich Gaard called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, Board members Brian Fuhrmann, Shirley Vermace and Kathy Bakken were present. Also in attendance was Andy Nimrod, Director and visitors Janelle Pavlovec and Kevin Klosterwill.*

*There was no public comment. Bakken motioned to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2021 meeting, Fuhrmann seconded and all approved.*

*The Board reviewed the notes from the 2020 hunting season that allowed archery hunters to get permission to hunt deer in the parks. Bakken asked to have hunters put their names on any stands that were going to be left in the woods. Fuhrmann suggested adding a statement of leave no trace to the guidelines that hunters must read through before gaining permission.*

*The Board reviewed the C.R.E.W. account. Vermace moved and Fuhrmann seconded a motion to remove Judy Syverson (retired) from the account, change Erika Randall's name to Erika Huegel (married) and to add Blake Moen and Andy Nimrod to the account and for Rich Gaard to provide the bank with a letter stating the change, all approved.*

*Department update notes:*

- The City is reviewing parking around Wayside Park and might consider adding parking in the park for local businesses*
- Work on the new trail from Phelps Park to Dug Road will begin August 20*
- End of the season pool closing dates are August 22 for public swim and September 3 for lap swim*
- The campground added more reservable sites to try and ease the administrative congestion in the office and continues to look at other ways to help improve registration*

*The Pulpit to Pulpit Run/Walk raised \$4,530 for DHPT trail work. Fuhrmann reported that DHPT and the Luther Cross Country team were teaming up to fix a bad section of the trail above Dunning's Spring that had some bad erosion in an area referred to as Clay Corner.*

*The next board meeting was confirmed for September 16, 2021 at Whalen Cabin. Vermace motioned to adjourn, Bakken seconded, all approved.*

*Respectfully submitted,*



*Andy Nimrod  
Director  
Decorah Parks and Recreation*