

some of our programs. Gelb asked how much revenue was brought in. Tripp stated between \$12,000 to \$18,000. Cahill asked if this was limited to Des Moines businesses. Page advised Des Moines businesses would have first chance to advertise and then the greater Des Moines area.

- Sculpture Park
Construction is proceeding. An incentive will be paid if completed by June 1. They have appealed because of engineer graphics by the City so will be given a few days beyond the deadline. There will be a fence around the park. After the contracts were issued, six more sculptures were added to the park.
- Park Logo
Marlene Anderson, Park and Recreation Supervisor, displayed and provided history of the different City logos in the past 25 years. Anderson thanked Jasmin from IT for developing the logo.

Ogle asked about ordinance prohibiting organized dancing after 2:00 a.m. in the City. Ogle is aware that a non-profit wanted dancing after 2:00 a.m. which was denied. What is the history, and public purpose; it appears to infringe upon free expression and reflects poorly on our City to attract young people. Ogle requested City legal to research this ordinance.

FOR BOARD ACTION

- #09-021** Sub-committee to review committee by-laws
Tripp would like a committee to work with staff to review the by-laws. Carol George and Dick Thornton volunteered to review the future structure of golf committee. Suzette will participate in the committee and will check on cemetery by-laws. Copies of the Park and Recreation Board by-laws will be provided at the executive committee meeting.

**Motion by Noland to approve appointments of sub-committee
Seconded by Gelb
Motion carried**

- #09-022** Aquatic Club rental fees

**Motion by Noland to approve aquatic club rental fees
Seconded by Scavo**

Gelb questioned if codifying these lease agreements that every time a lease is renewed it has to come back. Doug Romig, Park Services manager, stated this recommendation will go to council to set up a fee structure under an ordinance. With our agreements, the Director has the authority to execute those agreements. This will come back every three years if the fee changes after 2011.

Motion carried

PRESENTATIONS

- #09-023** Forestry plan/Tree planting report
Tripp introduced Julie Stundins, Horticulture Inspector.

Stundins presented a PowerPoint on annual tree planting reports and the Urban Forestry plan.

Scavo asked the success rate of trees in park system. Stundins stated we have lost trees to deer but they have been replaced with trees from Western Gateway Park. Tripp stated survival rate is around 90%.

Jensen asked about deer damage of trees at Grandview, Greenwood, and MacRae. Stundins stated it is a problem – tree guards were placed on trees.

Murphy asked what are right-of-way trees. Stundins stated they are street trees. Murphy asked how the city chooses the trees to be removed. Tripp will get a report on right-of-way trees on who makes that decision. Murphy asked who makes the decision in parks – it is our staff.

Cahill asked where do you decide to plant in parks. Initially four large parks were chosen – smaller amount of trees in smaller parks. Neighborhood Associations can contact park staff for requests of trees.

Koenig-VandeHaar asked if there is a program to plant a tree in someone's honor. There is no official program but contact Mike Gaul for further information. Program needs to be publicized.

Marlene Anderson stated that with memorial trees there is no notation on the trees. Waterworks has memorials on their crab apple trees, but on hold due to flooding. An article will be in the City Source regarding street trees that the public can request a tree on the right-of-way.

RECEIVE AND FILE

#09-024 Shakespeare in the Park

**Motion by Jensen to receive and file request for Shakespeare in the Park
Seconded by George
Motion carried**

#09-025 Greenways study update

A written updated report was included in the packet. A subcommittee of board members, city staff, and Chris Coleman to make some calls - in process of meeting with different agencies.

Galloway shared with Metro Advisory Council this morning the greenway study concept – reception was positive. Anyone requesting a copy of the report will be provided.

**Motion by Gelb to receive and file greenway study update
Seconded by Murphy
Motion carried**

#09-026 Waveland Monopole

Communication was provided to make the board aware of the monopole – city to collect revenue.

Jensen questioned poles that look like trees - City needs to look at something like this. The IT people advise this is an aging technology – no new poles – only additional carriers.

Koenig-VandeHaar requested pictures. Ben Page showed picture of monopole and the location by Waveland golf course, 1,000 feet from Waveland tennis courts.

Galloway asked if there will only be one pole. There will only be one pole but various carriers. The rent initially paid for parking and the restroom building.

Koenig-VandeHaar asked if rent will increase if more providers are added. Page advised they will need prior approval from the City. DiDonato stated there is a practical limit – definitely less than ten because of the structure. Koenig-VandeHaar asked about health issues. DiDonato, City Legal, under FCC regulations this is not a consideration that is taken into account.

Motion by Jensen to receive and file Waveland Monopole
Seconded by Gelb
Motion carried

#09-027

Park restroom closures

It will be a two or three meeting process. A public process is needed. The deficiency in the park system is the restrooms. Have evaluated the infrastructures and made some decisions. Intend to publicize this and be on agenda next month with a presentation. We will be happy to provide a tour for anyone interested. Three approaches - will remove restroom, will replace with portable unit, or will be rebuilt. Notices will be posted at these buildings so the public is aware.

Motion by Jensen to receive and file park restroom closures
Seconded by George

Jensen questioned if maintenance will be outsourced. Tripp advised maintenance will be provided by a private contractor. Jensen questioned if phone numbers are posted for patrons if a restroom is not in good condition. Don McLaughlin, Park Manager, advised currently restrooms are a hit and miss on where numbers are posted. They will provide a phone number for all locations for shelter, restroom or park.

Motion carried

#09-028

Process to consider from referral by City Council

Tripp distributed the council roll call. Tripp stated the council has asked the city manager to draft a naming policy that the council to adopt and has asked the Park and Recreation Board to make a recommendation to the council for the naming of the community center. Tripp advised that the board's role can't begin until the approved policy is in place. Council wants this discussed in a public venue to make a recommendation to go back to council. Tripp stated process is communication for people to be heard, and to come up with a resolution that is fair.

Motion by Scavo to receive and file the process
Seconded by George

Chen asked if after council adopts their policy – we may need to revise our policy. Tripp stated the park policy will then have to be reviewed and revised, if needed.

Murphy asked if there is a formal request for another name. Tripp stated there was a petition for another name.

Feltner asked if a neighborhood association made a formal recommendation – will find out what entities made a request to rename.

Motion carried.

Galloway commented any interested parties e-mail or phone number you will be notified.

REPORTS OF CHAIR OF BOARD AND COMMITTEES

Jensen commented in the Park and Recreation magazine a pilot project – getting people involved in the nature part of parks. Jensen requested that the city look at this.

#09-029

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Jensen to adjourn

Seconded by Gelb

Motion carried