PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES
June 16th, 2014 – 5:30 p.m.
COMMUNITY ROOM - LIBRARY

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Scott Cranston, Chair
Mike McDowell
Dave Patzer
Jim Lien

STAFF PRESENT:
Bill Greenwood, Parks Director
Katie Kosanke, Urban Forestry Coordinator
Chenoa Dahlberg, Administrative Assistant

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Bridget Hill
Ron Edinger
Ginny Tate
Mason Patzer, Student Representative
Addison Johnson, Alt. Student Representative

GUESTS:
Chris Guggemos

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Cranston called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL
   Four members were present, resulting in an official quorum.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
   Commissioner McDowell led the pledge of allegiance.

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST
   Commissioner Lien stated he would be abstaining from the vote on item # 9 because he has been hired by that company in the past to perform.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   Commissioner McDowell made a motion to approve the February 24th, March 4th, March 17th, May 6th, May 19th and June 3rd meeting and workshop minutes.
   Commissioner Patzer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

5. STAFF COMMENTS
   Bill Greenwood announced that Steve Anthony was not able to attend tonight’s meeting because he was helping to put on a 3 on 3 basketball tournament to benefit United Way. He went on to explain the prep and planning for Ironman and 4th of July events. He also spoke about the completion of planting over 10,000 annuals and that the playground had been ordered for Persons Field. He added that it would be arriving mid-August. He mentioned the American Legion opening ceremony on June 4th at Thorco Field and the wonderful turnout of and show of support that was there as they recognized Jim Thorpe for his donation. Commissioner Patzer asked how McEuen Park was holding up. Bill stated that there has been a huge turnout and lots of use of the new facilities and that the park and crew are doing well. Commissioner McDowell commended Bill and the Parks staff for the wonderful condition and quality of Thorco Field.
6. **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**  
None.

7. **PUBLIC COMMENT**  
None.

8. **PARKS DAY PRESENTATION**  
Katie Kosanke gave a power point presentation on Parks Day, as well as the history of how the event was started. She announced that this year’s Parks Day would be held in McEuen Park on Saturday July 12th. She went on to describe the activities that will be taking place, as well as the partnership with Kids Day in the Park. This is a free event to the public with free food and entertainment as well. She recognized this year’s donors and volunteers and thanked them for their continued support and efforts. There were no questions of the commission for Katie. Commissioner Patzer thanked all those who help with Parks Day to make it a great annual event for the community.

9. **HANDSHAKE PRODUCTIONS CONTRACT RENEWAL**  
Commissioner Cranston read the staff report aloud. Bill stated that Chris Guggemos has been great to work with and added that he does a great job. Chris added that this is the longest running concert series in the area and that this model has allowed him to help other cities get their concert series started. He stated that we have a wonderful location that draws lots of people each week and described the event. Commissioner Cranston congratulated Chris on his tremendous success and great efforts. He then added that the only change to the contract from previous years was the actual concert dates. Chris added that they will start the Sunday after Ironman and then go into September as money allows. He described the weather problems the last few years with starting earlier in June. Commissioner Patzer made a motion to recommend to General Services to approve the Contract renewal for Handshake Productions for 2015, 2016 and 2017. Commissioner McDowell seconded the motion. All were in favor, with Commissioner Lien abstaining, motion passed.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**  
Commissioner Cranston announced the upcoming meetings:
   - Tuesday June 3rd at 12 p.m., Old Council Chambers – City Hall
   - Monday June 16th at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room at the Library.

Commissioner Lien made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Commissioner McDowell seconding the motion. All were in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.