

LEISURE SERVICES MONTHLY MINUTE

JULY 2020



Cedar River Park Ground Breaking

For some time, the community of Waverly has needed updated facilities for children to play baseball and softball on adequate fields. That time has arrived! The vision is to build a local park that supports the needs of all youth players. The park will provide the opportunity for children of all abilities to play baseball and softball in our community. Cedar

River Park will include an eight-field complex including an inclusive field and playground. The Miracle Field will provide the opportunity for children of all abilities and their families and friends to play. The park will also include accessible concessions and restrooms, a bike path, and an inclusive playground structure.

On June 22nd a groundbreaking ceremony was held to kick off the initial construction phase of the project. The City of Waverly staff, Mayor Adam Hoffman and the Cedar River Park Task Force, and others were present for this momentous occasion.

Visit www.cedarriverpark.com or on Facebook @waverlycrpark for more information on this exciting project for the City of Waverly.

July Happenings & Highlights

To view upcoming events visit the City of Waverly website at:

www.waverlyia.com/events

All city playgrounds, the skate park, Waverly City Hall and the Civic Center are now open.

We are accepting shelter reservations for dates after July 1. We ask that all patrons please continue to adhere to social distancing and gathering size guidelines.



For the health and well being of the City of Waverly residents and pool staff, we feel it would be in everyone's best interest to keep the Waverly Municipal Swimming Pool closed for the remainder of the 2020 season.

Any gift certificates for 2020 pool passes will be honored for 2021. If you have a gift certificate please bring or mail it to the Leisure Services office located in Waverly City Hall at 200 1st St. NE, Waverly, IA. A new gift certificate will be issued and dated accordingly.

Please contact Leisure Services at 319-352-6263 for any questions or more information.

If you've called or stopped in to the Leisure Services office in the last year, you've probably met Jen Troyna, Leisure Services Office Manager. In June, Jen celebrated her first full year with the City of Waverly.

Jen came to the City of Waverly after working the past 19 years in secretarial positions. She holds an Associate of Arts degree from Upper Iowa University. Jen lives in Parkersburg with 3 of her 4 children. Her oldest is a 2020 high school graduate and will be attending UNI this fall. She and her children love all things outdoors. She is an avid runner, completing her first full marathon last fall. She loves watching her kids play sports and other activities they are involved in. She also enjoys golfing, kayaking and boating, yard work and relaxing by a fire or on the deck with friends and family.

This year has been a huge learning curve for Jen, familiarizing herself with all the different Leisure Services departments and the City of Waverly. So far, her favorite aspect of the position is working with the staff and supporting them in any way she can. She is looking forward to being a part of the many projects coming in the future for the City of Waverly.

Jen has really enjoyed exploring Waverly and all it has to offer. Her two favorite places are the Rail Trail and Kohlman Park. She can often be found on her lunch breaks either running the trail or soaking up the sun on a bench in the park, when weather permits.

Be sure to say hi to Jen next time you call or stop in the office, she is eager to continue meeting the great people that call Waverly home.

MEET Jen Troyna



WE ARE STRONG.
WE ARE CONFIDENT.
WE ARE SELFLESS.
WE ARE PASSIONATE.
WE ARE DRIVEN.
WE ARE ESSENTIAL.
WE ARE PARKS AND RECREATION

Since 1985, Americans have celebrated Park and Recreation Month in July to promote the importance parks and recreation has in health and well-being, conservation and social equity, and to recognize the full-time park and recreation professionals – as well as, the part-time and seasonal workers and volunteers – that maintain our country's local, state and community parks.

The services that park and recreation professionals provide are vital for our communities – from protecting open space and natural resources, and providing activities and resources for all people.

According to the National Recreation and Park Association's 2019 Engagement with Parks Report, an overwhelming majority of Americans say that they personally benefit from local parks and that their communities benefit from local parks.

- o Americans, on average, visit their local park and recreation facilities more than twice a month.
- o Three in four Americans live within a 10-minute walk of a local park or other recreational facility.
- o More than nine in 10 Americans agree that parks and recreation is an important local government service.

The Leisure Services department staff work tirelessly to provide and maintain the parks, trails, and other amenities in Waverly. We encourage you to get out and enjoy all that Waverly has to offer as often as possible.