

CHAPTER 23

PARK BOARD

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23.01 PARK BOARD CREATED. A Park Board is created to advise the Council on the needed open-space facilities such as parks, playgrounds and community facilities for other forms of recreation.

23.02 BOARD ORGANIZATION. The Board shall consist of three (3) members. Two members shall be residents of the City. One member may (but is not required to be) a nonresident of the City if that nonresident owns property or a business within the City. The members are appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the Council for terms of six (6) years commencing on January 1 of each applicable term. The first chairperson shall be designated by the Mayor and shall serve the first longest term. Thereafter, the Board member serving and occupying the longest term shall be chairperson. *(Ord. 3-14-22 – Dec. 22 Supp.)*

23.03 COMPENSATION. The salary of Park Board members is ten dollars (\$10.00) per member for each Board meeting attended. Effective January 1, 2012, such compensation shall be twenty-five (\$25.00) for each meeting attended.

23.04 POWERS AND DUTIES. The Park Board has the following powers and duties:

1. Advise Council. Advise the Council on park and recreation matters.
2. Authority. Have authority over personnel and property belonging to parks.
3. Budget. Submit to the Council, on or before January 1 of each year, a proposed budget and tax levy for general park purposes for the ensuing year.
4. Reports. Make written activity reports to the Council when requested and as the Board deems advisable. Its revenues and expenditures shall be reported monthly by the Clerk, and a copy shall be provided to each Board member and in the Clerk's report to the Council.
5. Rules and Regulations. Make rules and regulations governing the use of parks and other recreational facilities or for the conduct of recreation programs, with approval of the Council. The rules shall be posted or publicized for adequate public notice.

23.05 PENALTIES. Any person who violates a Board rule or regulation which has been approved by the Council and adopted by ordinance may be subject to the penalties provided for in the ordinance adopting the rule or regulation.

23.06 OPEN MEETINGS. All meetings of the Park Board shall comply with the regulations stated in Chapter 21 of the *Code of Iowa*.

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