

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

9:00 A.M.

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Present: Steve VanHouse
Tracy Tiboni
Shane Hoff
Jenny Bjerken
Dick Stern

Excused: Nathan Stadler
Gene LaFond

Bryan Carpenter, Parks & Rec Director
Marcia Oates
Phil Huston

VanHouse called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda – Motion by Bjerken, second Tiboni to approve the Agenda with addition of Memorial Bench and removal of City Code review. MOTION CARRIED.

Minutes – Motion by Tiboni, second Bjerken to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2025 regular meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS –

Public Comments- None at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

Arena Update- Outdoor rink is nearing completion, approximately 180 volunteer hours were donated over the previous weekend.

Black Beach Campground- Reservations continue to come in, opening weekend went well. Firewood contract has expired and Carpenter is working on obtaining a new contract. Firewood was purchased from another seller for now, resulting in the need to increase prices. Board reviewed proposal for new signage in two locations. Cost would be \$11,289 for sign and posts, does not include installation costs of \$1500. Motion by Bjerken, second Tiboni to recommend purchase of new signage and installation to Council for a total amount of \$12,689. MOTION CARRIED.

Summer Hires- Carpenter reports there are six new hires: one in campground and remaining five are Park and Rec aides.

Summer Programs- Summer programs have started. There are 98 registered for the baseball/softball youth leagues. Low numbers for tennis league, open tennis will be held on Tuesdays. Discussion regarding Pickleball fees and designating time/days for play.

Multi-Modal Trailhead Center- Carpenter reports demo is underway.

Marina- DNR meeting with the City has taken place, discussed need and request for new tables and chairs.

Tennis Courts- Discussion regarding repairing of cracks, resurfacing, third court repairs, potential of repairing basketball court, creating a hitting wall for tennis, and asphalt versus concrete courts. Further discussion on repair estimate of \$60,000, due to high cost bids will need to be obtained, and will seek available funding through the County.

NEW BUSINESS –

Memorial Bench- Dick Stern presented a request to purchase a memorial bench for the picnic area at the Marina in memory of his mother-in-law, Ruth Koepke. Motion by Bjerken, second Tiboni to recommend to Council for approval. Once Council approval is obtained, Stern will work with Carpenter for placement. MOTION CARRIED with Stern abstaining.

Motion by Bjerken, second Tiboni to adjourn at 9:26 a.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Minutes taken by Lisa Christenson