



THE FOLLOWING REPRESENTS THE ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE ANGLETON PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD IN THE ORDER THEY OCCURRED DURING THE MEETING. THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD CONVENED IN A MEETING ON MONDAY APRIL 13, 2026, at 12:00 PM., AT THE CITY OF ANGLETON COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 120 S. CHENANGO STREET ANGLETON, TEXAS 77515.

DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT

Erin Boren
Clara Dannhaus
David Heinicke
Jessica Norris
Amber Murray
Gina Pipkins
Barbara Simmons – Council Liaison

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes of the Parks & Recreation Board meeting on April 13, 2026.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the April 13, 2026, meeting. Board Member Dannhaus made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Board Member Norris. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0

2. Discussion and possible action on list of recommended park priority projects for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Parks & Recreation Director, O'Mara, and Parks Board President, Heinicke presented the Board's prioritized list of park improvement projects developed through previous park assessments, Board discussions, and individual Board Member rankings. Preliminary planning-level cost estimates were developed to assist with future capital planning and budget discussions.

The Board reviewed the recommended priority list as presented and discussed the rationale behind the rankings, including safety, park appearance, community impact, maintenance of older facilities, and opportunities to address lower-cost projects while planning for larger capital improvements.

The Board also discussed improvements identified through the City's ADA Transition Plan. Staff noted that ADA improvements remain a priority and will continue to be addressed separately through budget requests and available funding.

Staff explained that the priority list will serve as a recommendation to guide future budget and funding discussions. Projects may be completed in phases or pursued through grants, partnerships, sponsorships, available operating funds, ABLC funding, or other funding sources as opportunities become available.

The Board reached consensus on the final priority list as presented and directed staff to move the recommendations forward for consideration during the upcoming budget process.

COMMUNICATION FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Board Members discussed several parks and recreation updates and observations, including:

- Positive feedback regarding Parks and Recreation social media updates and the reopening and improvements at the Angleton Recreation Center pool.
- Strong community use of the Recreation Center and positive feedback regarding recreation programs and activities.
- An update on the Freedom Park field expansion, including weather-related delays and ongoing evaluation of site drainage.
- An update on Bates Park Field No. 6, including preparation for the upcoming national softball tournament.
- Completion and positive community response to the new Freedom Park playground.
- Increased use of walking trails at Lakeside Park, Freedom Park, and other park locations.
- A concern regarding erosion near the pavilion/stair area at Lakeside Park.
- Discussion regarding individuals swimming at Lakeside Park despite park rules prohibiting swimming and the appropriate process for reporting concerns.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:52 PM

These minutes were approved by the Angleton Parks and Recreation Board on the 10th day of August 2026.

CITY OF ANGLETON, TEXAS

Jason O'Mara
Director of Parks and Recreation