



OFFICIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

MEETING OF THE PARK BOARD

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2025, AT 5:00 PM

COMMUNITY CENTER MEETING ROOM, 1050 N. ORANGE ST., RICHLAND CENTER, WI 53581

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 5:00pm by President Elliott, and a quorum was present; the meeting had been properly noticed.

ROLL CALL: Park Board members: Pat Elliott, Kathryn Lewandowski, Larry Hallett, Allicia Woodhouse, Brad Wegner, County Board Rep- Chad Cosgrove, Director- Jodi Mieden. Absent: City Council Rep.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Woodhouse to waive the reading of the minutes of the last meeting(s) in lieu of printed copies and approve the same, 2nd by Cosgrove. Motion carried unanimously.

2025 Election of Officers: Pat Elliott- Elected President, Kathryn Lewandowski- Elected Vice President, Brad Wegner appointed by the mayor for another 5-year term. City Council Rep TBD.

Rick Ermillio updated the board that he has fundraised \$1778 in 2024 from a Soccer concession stand, \$1331.50 so far in 2025 with 2 Culver's Share nights planned June 18 & November 5, as well as a concession stand for Church League Softball. Jenny Norman from All-American Do it Center said it would need to be rebid, but they are still interested in donating for 2 dugouts of the 4 at Krouskop Park fields.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

- 2.** Consider approval of meeting date changes for May & June. The regularly scheduled meeting for May falls on Memorial Day, so it would be changed to June 2nd to complete before the regular Common Council meeting on June 3rd. The June meeting would then move to the 5th Monday, June 30th to complete before the regular Common Council meeting on July 1st. Dates are good as requested.
- 3.** Consider approval of Richland County 4H Sanctioned Recreation Group for 2025. The annual Richland County 4H softball league has continued to be a great outlet for youth. There have been no issues to date, and they work around all other leagues by playing on Friday, Saturday & Sunday. Motion to approve by Woodhouse, 2nd by Cosgrove. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4.** Consider approval of Hornet Volleyball Camp Sanctioned Recreation Group for 2025. The annual Hornet Volleyball Camp has continued to be a great camp for youth. There have been no issues to date, and have large amounts of campers attend. Motion to approve by Hallett, 2nd by Woodhouse. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5.** Consider approval of RC Church League Softball Sanctioned Recreation Group for 2025. The RC Church League Softball has continued to be a great league for area adults. There have been no issues to date, and have 80-110 participants on 8 teams. Motion to approve by Wegner, 2nd by Cosgrove. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6.** Consider additions to Camping rules and adjustments to availability. The City RV camping locations were quite busy with "transitional tent housing/urban camping" in 2024, and we want to discuss possible updated rules. We fielded many complaints from park goers as well as yearly RV campers. Many were solicited for donations during their stay and may or may not return if this continues. Possibly limit the duration to seven days one time per month to prevent site hopping in the same camping area. Possibly limited to RV only. There were a couple of things that came up this off season as well. Companies doing work in the city stayed in RV campsites off season and for extended durations. We allowed it because it was an RV, but it came with many inquiries from the public. We also allowed hunters to camp for the temporary hunting timeframe. I would like to formalize the rules for off-season camping. We like the revenue stream and had no issues during their stays. The Board looked to change the rules to include tent camping parameters of a 7-day stay in 1 spot in a 30-day duration only, and they must keep an orderly site. Campers must include all names and contact information for weather safety notification. The website will be updated and new rules to be brought to the next meeting. Rules signs will need to be updated in each location in print. Look at an off-season permit for companies utilizing campsites with RVs. May need to update electric prices due to the colder temps. Motion to approve new rules additions by Woodhouse, 2nd by Wegner. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Motion by Lewandowski to approve the monthly bills. 2nd by Hallett. Motion carried unanimously.

MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT: Revenues for March 24 – April 27, 2024 vs 2025 provided.

RECREATION REPORT: Pool: Wastewater Utility staff rebuilt SP Filtration pump due to a crack/leak, rebuilt cracked floor drains, pulled all pumps, cleaned rust, reconnected and all are running smoothly 2 weeks now.

B&G staff power washed bathhouse, creating a safety hazard that will need a SOP written for next season. They installed a sump pit/bucket for the concession lake, SOP will be written and staff trained so the pump won't dry up.

Emailed WPC for final insulation quote but no answer. Will submit two quotes/heater quote to Public Works.

No answer from McGuire yet on future business and fall billing. Kiwanis inquired about free pool day to coincide with Backpack distribution, or day passes in packs. Council accepted the resolution for \$12,400 Rotary Club donation for the Splash pad sun shade. Looking at rubber pavers as an option underneath. Ramaker inspected slide, all is up to par and will send certificate and billing in May. 2nd slide/installation quote came in from Splashtacular for \$180,000. Confirmed with Wastewater Superintendent that they would be interested in installing pump/piping if we have spec drawings to go from. Would need Electric utility on board for hookup and we may be able to see it through. Discussing further with Public Works/Administrator. **Parks:** Knights of Columbus/Rick Ermilio is continuing fundraising efforts for KP dugouts on #5/#6. RCHS/RCYBS resolution goes to Council May 6th for North Park additions to #1/#2. **Recreation:** guide is out to schools and online and classes are filling up quickly. OMHS is full. **Staff:** Pool Office and Rec Coaches are filled, and we currently have 15 lifeguards by application. **Placer ai:** Reporting showed 165.3k visits by 38.5k visitors to Krouskop Park in 2024. June was busiest at 10k visits between Noon-6pm. Saturday and Tuesday being the busiest days. The average stay is 103 minutes.

WSRC REPORT: Diamond Jo Casino trip had 52 passengers at \$35.00 per person with a total amount of \$1,820.00 collected. The bus cost is \$1,325.00 for the day making a profit of \$495.00. Urban Scenic Travel gave \$300.00 for booking people taking the trip to New Orleans. The total profit for the Senior Center was \$795.00 in trip money. \$50.00 was deposited for coffee money. Brewers Game has 4 seats available for the trip on July 12th, and 2 rooms available for the New Hampshire and White Mountain trip in September. Our House will again have a breakfast at the Senior Center on May 22nd at 8:00 a.m., and Senior Solutions will have Bingo on that afternoon at 12:30. Sheepshead and Pinochle players are increasing. We always have room for more and will teach the games if anyone wants to learn.

PARK BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT: Pat is working with Mieden at the pool to prepare for startup.

REPORTS, REQUESTS, CONCERNS: Hallett recommends improvements in the cemetery for burials.

SET NEXT MEETING DATE: 1st Monday of the Month. June 2, 2025, at 5:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to Adjourn by Hallett. 2nd by Wegner. Motion carried unanimously.