

**WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION
JUNE 11, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Chairperson Carlock called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll was called.

ROLL CALL:

Andrea Voorheis, Township Board Liaison
Scott Rolando
Merrie Carlock, Chairperson

Absent:

Alexandra Schillack
Rhonda Grubb

Also Present:

Andrew Littman, Staff Planner
Hannah Kennedy-Galley, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOTION by Member Rolando, seconded by Member Voorheis, to approve the agenda as presented.
The motion carried with a voice vote: (4 yes votes).**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. May 14, 2025

**MOTION by Member Voorheis, seconded by Member Rolando, to approve the minutes as presented.
The motion carried with a voice vote: (4 yes votes).**

CALL TO PUBLIC

Steve Woodard, 971 Schuyler, suggested moving the site walk after the meeting adjournment. The Parks and tRec Committee agreed.

NEW/CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. Discussion – Ground Maintenance Expenses

Staff Planner Littman reviewed the maintenance expenses for Hidden Pines Park with the Committee. There is a \$4,000 cost increase to maintain the park this year due to the frequent mowing needed.

Staff Planner Littman presented estimates from Steed's Landscaping and Lasting Impressions Landscaping for a spring cleaning at Hidden Pines Park. It was decided that mulching wasn't necessary this year, and the parking lot had already been graded.

The Parks and Rec Committee discussed the pros and cons of each vendor.

MOTION by Member Carlock, seconded by Member Voorheis, to allow staff to investigate spring landscaping bids and to enable staff to make the final decision on vendor choice. The motion carried with a voice vote: (3 yes votes).

The Committee discussed the maintenance budgets of the other Township parks and would like to review them at the next meeting. Member Rolando suggested reviewing the projected budget for Stanley Park maintenance post-construction.

Alexandra Schillack has graduated from high school, and is no longer eligible to serve on the Parks and Rec Committee. The Committee discussed putting together a tribute for Ms. Schillack's time served, and Member Rolando stated he would look into eligible student volunteers to serve in her place.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

STAFF REPORT

Staff Planner Littman stated construction at Stanley Park is temporarily halted due to inconsistencies with the site's grade at the south parking lot. He added that the grading plan is under review with BRI, and more information will be available early next week. The temporary halt in construction will not affect the demolition of the cinder block building on the site.

COMMUNICATIONS

A. Member Communications

Member Carlock stated Hess Hathway will host concerts at the Park throughout June on Thursday evenings.

Member Voorheis stated she was disappointed the Board voted to demo the building in Stanley Park without consulting the Committee first.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Member Rolando, seconded by Member Carlock, to adjourn at 7:36 P.M. The motion carried with a voice vote: (4 yes votes).

NEXT MEETING DATE: Wednesday, July 9, 2025