Harrisburg Parks, Recreation & Forestry Board

Unapproved Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Parks, Recreation & Recreation Board was called to order on June 11, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., with Scott Langerock presiding. Members present were Ryan Berg, Elizabeth Heidinger, Jason Nelson. Also present were Magenta Hammond and Toby Huizenga from the City, Librarian Cheyenne Chontos, Adrienne McKeown with the Harrisburg Baseball Association, and David Locke from Stockwell Engineers.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Consent Agenda: Motion was made by Berg, seconded by Nelson to approve the consent agenda as presented.

1. Approved Agenda – Declaration of any Potential Conflict of Interest

2. Approved May 14, 2025 Parks, Recreation & Forestry Board Meeting Minutes

Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

Business Items:

Harrisburg Baseball Association has had a slow start to their season due to weather. They have purchased additional Agri lime that the City staff will help put down on the fields. Plans are in place for the 4th Annual Alex Kummer Memorial Tournament and Tiger Classic. Woody’s Amateur Baseball is also using fields. July 17th is Family Fun Night/Senior Night. Flag Football registration closes Sunday. Adrienne also thanked Toby and Magenta for all their hard work and support during the ongoing season with field maintenance and prep and assistance in scheduling.

Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce – no update.

Locke noted that the Trails Plan is currently working with the City on funding. Phase 1 will be integrated with work to be completed on Willow.

Heidinger is working with Poet on a potential grant.

Discussion around Park Board goals for 2025-2026 were discussed. The City is updating their Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and the Trails/Park Master plans should feed into that. The Board asked Stockwell for a quote on what it would take to update this. A 2-week trial will be held in Heartland Park for a concrete cornhole station. Scouts from Troop 580 and Troop 171 provided clean up assistance before and after Harrisburg Days at Lake Ole and around Heritage Elementary. 2 seasonal employees were hired and the Park Supervisor position is currently open until filled. The Park Board plans to discuss National Night Out (NNO) during their next meeting in July. Staff will start lining up Food Trucks for NNO, scheduled for Aug 5th.

Hammond shared an overview of upcoming Parks & Recreation sponsored events.

With no further business, a motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Heidinger to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 pm. Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

The next regular meeting of the Harrisburg Parks & Rec Board will be held at 6:00 pm on July 9, 2025.

Submitted by Ryan Berg, Park Board Member.