



GRINNELL PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD REGULAR
SESSION MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 12, 2025, AT 5:00 PM
IN THE GRINNELL ATHLETIC AND RECREATION CENTER

MINUTES

1. Roll Call:

- A. Russ Crawford, Ralph Eyberg, Lauren Gant, Whitney Jensen, Lisa Lindley, Matt Moyer and Jordan Allsup.
Absent: Ben Coopridner
Guests: Jennifer McAlexander.

2. Approve Agenda: At 5:06pm Lindley made the motion to approve the agenda, second by Gant to approve the agenda. AYES: All. Motion carried.

3. Approval of the Minutes from DATE

- A. April 14th, 2025- Gant made the motion, second by Jensen, to approve the April 14th, 2025, meeting minutes. AYES: All. Motion carried.

4. Old Business

- A. Master Parks Plan – priority of projects, fundraising opportunities, grant writing, goals for 2024-2025 fiscal year
- Parks and Cemetery Vegetation – Eyberg- Landscape bed project is underway at Central Park. Allsup also reported that there will be some repairs to the irrigation system at Central Park. No action necessary.
 - Bailey Park– Crawford/Jensen- Existing shelter house is expected to be removed by the end of the week with new shelter to be installed in early June. No action necessary.
 - Arbor Lake/Lake Nyanza- Allsup- RFP for engineering on the Grinnell Lakes project will be released on Friday, May 16th. No action necessary.
 - Playgrounds- Lindley- No update. No action necessary.
 - Master Plan- Allsup- Master Plan is nearing approval stage with final public comments to be collect on the Parks draft renderings on the city’s website. No action necessary.
- B. Recreation- Allsup stated that spring activity is coming to an end, and the department is gearing up for summer programming. No action necessary.
- C. Aquatics- Allsup reported staff orientation for the Aquatic Center will be under way later this month with an expected opening date being May 30th. No action necessary.

5. New Business

- A. Grinnell College Public Event- Lindley made the motion to approve the rental of the Central Park stage on September 4th, 2025, for “Grinnell College’s Red Hot Chili Pipers concert” Second by Gant. AYES: all. Motion carried.
- B. Stella Apartments connection to Lion’s Park- Lindley made the motion to approve the work at Lion’s Park for a crossing and sidewalk over the creek to the new Stella Apartments. Work includes tree and brush removal by city staff at Lion’s Park. Second by Gant. AYES: all. Motion carried.
- C. Central Park Holiday Light Display- Jennifer McAlexander presented on the Central Park Holiday Light display and communicating a possible succession plan. No action was taken.

6. Notes:

7. Inquiries:

- 8. Adjourn:** Lindley made the motion at 5:52pm to adjourn the meeting, second by Gant. AYES: All. Motion carried.

Parks and Recreation Director
Jordan Allsup

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