



Grinnell PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD meeting
JANUARY 13TH, 2025, AT 5:15 P.M.
Drake Community Library- Large Group Room

Minutes

ROLL CALL: Russ Crawford, Whitney Jensen, Lisa Lindley, Lauren Gant, Ralph Eyberg, and Jordan Allsup
Absent: Matt Moyer and Ben Coopridner
Guests: Jordan Schiebel, Tom Lacina, Randy Hotchkin, Teresa Coon, Ben Latimer

APPROVE AGENDA: At 5:22pm Lindley made the motion to approve agenda, second by Gant to approve the agenda. AYES: All. Motion carried.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES:

1. December 9th meeting minutes. - Gant made the motion, second by Lindley, to approve the December 9th, 2024, meeting minutes. AYES: All. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Master Parks Plan – priority of projects, fundraising opportunities, grant writing, goals for 2024-2025 fiscal year
 - Parks and Cemetery Vegetation – Eyberg- No update. No action necessary.
 - Bailey Park– Crawford/Jensen- The shelter kit has been ordered from Scenic Shelters, and once the engineered drawings are approved the department will solicit quotes for construction.
 - Arbor Lake/Lake Nyanza- Allsup- No update. No action necessary.
 - Playgrounds- Lindley – Department is still awaiting additional details of when the benches will be shipped to complete the Central Park Inclusive Playground project. No action necessary.
2. Recreation- Allsup reported that the Youth Rec Basketball season will begin on Saturday, January 11th with approximately 140 participants. No action necessary.
3. Aquatics- Allsup reported that the department is still awaiting the approval of the permit application for the High Dive repair. No action necessary.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Summer St. Park Native Plantings- Jordan Schiebel presented a plan for Native Plantings with the playscape at Summer St. Park. Eyberg motioned to relay the information of this request to the consultants of the 2025 Master Parks & Recreation Plan to align with the plan's vision before approval of planting native plants at Summer St. Park. Second by Lindley. AYES: all. Motion carried.
2. Donor Signage for Veterans Memorial- Tom Lacina, Teresa Coon, Randy Hotchkin and Ben Latimer presented the plans for Donor Signage and location of signage for the Veterans Memorial Project. It was requested to incorporate Veteran Memorial donors with the current Donor Signage on the Central Park Shelter. Gant made the motion to deny the request to incorporate Veteran Memorial project donors on the existing Central Park Donor signage as those donors should be recognized for that specific initiative at the corner of the park where the plaza and monument will be located. Second by Jensen. AYES: all. Motion carried.

NOTES:

INQUIRES:

ADJOURN: Eyberg made the motion at 6:42pm to adjourn the meeting, second by Jensen. AYES: All.
Motion carried.

Parks and Recreation Director
Jordan Allsup