

**CITY OF GREEN LAKE PARK &
RECREATION/TREE BOARD MEETING – APRIL 16, 2025**

Meeting was called to order at 3:30 pm by Chairman Jon McConnell. Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a moment of silent meditation.

Certification of Open Meeting Law: Agenda was posted April 15, 2025.

Roll Call: Amy Gerstein (participated via Zoom), Jon McConnell, Katie Bratton, Steven Siders, Susan Kinas. Also Present: Jason Carley.

Agenda: Motion made by Siders, second by Kinas to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes: Motion made by Siders, second by Kinas to approve the Minutes of March 19, 2025. Motion carried.

Appearance: Amanda Castleberry & Kathy Grahm, Playground Pals, provided an update to the committee regarding an updated proposal for the playground. The group has raised \$355,000 to date. Kathy Grahm has been able to secure further donations for Phillip Mirr to remove the dead trees in the park. Concrete apron will need to be installed around the playground.

Financial Statement: Motion made by Siders, second by Kinas to receive the Financial Statement dated March 31, 2025. Motion carried.

Chairperson's Report: Jon McConnell provided an oral report and reminded the committee of the Diamond Celebration at Starlite Stage on June 29, 2025, at 6:00 pm. MOU with GLA was approved by council and Ripon Scouts were at the campground last weekend. Update on commercial boat launch fee.

Public Works Director's Report: Jason Carley gave an oral report which included installation of windows in Deacon Mills Bathroom, final walk through at the end of the month at the boat launch with installation of pier yet to be scheduled, and campground site repair completed.

Report from Volunteer Coordinators: Amy Gerstein gave an oral report. March 27th 20 kids picked up sticks and fixed entrance to Campground, three volunteers found to replace bags at dog waste stations. Arbor to be painted. Earth Day clean up on April 22, 2025 starting at 1:00 pm at Deacon Mills Park to include assistance from a 5th grade and high school class. Fence installation at Playground Park scheduled after May 1.

Report from Public Outreach/Conation Coordinator: No report.

City Park Signs: Sue Kinas states no update available. Tabled to next month.

Prioritization of 2025 Goals: Committee discussed list of goals and ranked order of importance. 1. Concrete pads at Daychola Lookout 2. Canoe/Kayak Launch Installation on waterways 3. Tennis Court Upgrade 4. Campground Boat Launch Upgrades 5. Maintenance at Starlite Stage 6. Upgrade Restroom at Deacon Mills Park 7. Paving Parking Lots 8. Restroom Facility Improvements at Hattie Sherwood Beach 9. Highknocker Park Playground Equipment Upgrade 10. Wharf Expansion 11. Softball Field Lighting. Motion by siders, seconded by Kinas to accept the prioritization of goals as listed. Motion carried.

Room Tax Total 2024: Total amount collected in 2024 came to \$84,650.39 which is a decrease of \$6,524.49 from 2023. Motion by Bratton, second by Siders to table until next month. Motion carried.

Amendment to 2025 Budget: Siders withdraws his request to amend the budget. Discussion between members may be brought back after first quarter numbers are available.

Agenda Items for City Council: Playground Pals Contract

Agenda Items for next Park Board Meeting: Sponsorship of City Park Signs, 2024 Room Tax, 2025 Budget Amendment

Motion made by Siders, second by Kinas to adjourn. Motion carried. (5:00 pm)

Melissa M. Zamzow, Deputy Clerk