

**CITY OF GREEN LAKE PARK &
RECREATION/TREE BOARD – OCTOBER 15, 2025**

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

Certification of Open Meeting Law: Agenda was posted October 10, 2025.

Roll Call: Jon McConnell, Susan Kinas, Amy Gerstein, & Stephen Siders. Katie Bratton appeared at 3:33 pm (via Zoom). Also Present: Public Works Director Jason Carley & Elaine Houser.

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 September 17, 2025. Motion carried.

Financial Statement: Motion made by Siders, second by Kinas to receive the Financial Report dated September 30, 2025. Motion carried.

Chairperson's Report: Jon McConnell gave an oral report. Campground revenue is up \$1,000 over last year with additional reservations still coming. Playground Park installation complete. Chief Highknocker has been dedicated and a special thanks given to Stephen Siders for his assistance completing George King's vision. Parking lot is prepped and ready for paving. Potential money to install sidewalks to playground.

Public Works Director's Report: Jason Carley gave an oral report. Grass at Playground Park & Highknocker statue has been planted and watered to sprout before fall freeze. Public Works working to prepare for fall/winter. Work at Campground will be done in the next couple of weeks. Daycholah Lookout is still being worked on with additional removal of shrubs and clean up of the area. Blooms 'n Scapes will be donating some shrubs and plants along with separating current plants within the city. Placement of benches at Daycholah will be changing without concrete pads.

Report from Volunteer Coordinator: Amy Gerstein gave an oral report. 116 hours of volunteer hours reported. Gerstein thanked Kinas for the donation of labor and paint of the arbor at the campground from Splash of Color. Community clean up brought two new volunteers. Volunteer appreciation dinner is set for October 21, 2025, at 5:00 pm -6:30 pm at Playground Park. The alternative site due to weather will be the American Legion.

Report from Public Outreach/Donation Coordinator: Kinas provided a report. Playground Pals approached Kinas about the brick project at Playground Park and she will be meeting with the group next week. Discussion between members. Kinas will report back next month.

Memorial Sports Complex Sponsorship & Naming Rights: McConnell provided an update and tasked members with creating denomination amounts for sponsorship and naming rights. Discussion held. Houser suggested going back into the comprehensive plan and look at the items outlined in page 32-34, update monetary amounts which will then lead to sponsorship amounts. Siders & Kinas will discuss building a framework for fundraising efforts and will report back to the committee next month.

Set Goals for 2026: Carried over to next month.

Tennis/Pickleball Court Fundraising: McConnell provided an update. Discussion between members. The focus will be on the “fix it first” philosophy which is stated in the comprehensive plan-tennis courts need to be replaced as that is currently in place. Pickleball courts have been removed from discussion going forward until the tennis courts have been fixed.

Donation to Playground Pals: Motion by Kinas, second by McConnell to donate the budgeted amount of \$16,000.00. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Unused 2025 Funds: Motion by Siders, second by Kinas to table until next month. Motion carried.

Discuss 2026 Budget: Preliminary budget discussed. Changes made and budget will be presented next month for finalization.

Correspondence: Motion by Gerstein, second by McConnell to receive the card dated 9/22/2025 from Ann Mijatovich regarding Playground Park Bridge Flowers

Council Agenda Items: None

Park Board Agenda Items: Update on Park & Recreation Comprehensive Plan, Status of 2025 Goals, Unused 2025 Budget to 2026, Finalize 2026 Budget, Quarter 3 Room Tax, Update on Tennis Court fundraising.

Motion made by Kinas, second by McConnell to adjourn. Motion carried. (5:36 pm)

Melissa M. Zamzow, Deputy Clerk