

**CITY OF GREEN LAKE PARK &
RECREATION/TREE BOARD – MARCH 18, 2026**

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 March 14, 2026 & March 17th before 3:30 pm.

Roll Call: Jon McConnell, Katie Bratton, Susan Kinas, Amy Gerstein (Via Zoom), Steven Siders. Also Present: Public Works Director Jason Carley, Mark Wilton, Jason Strauser & Grace St. Clair from Green Lake Association.

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

Minutes: Motion made by Bratton, second by Kinas to approve the Minutes of February 18, 2026. Motion carried.

Appearances: None

Financial Statement: Motion made by Siders, second by Kinas to receive the Financial Report dated February 28, 2026. Motion carried.

Chairperson's Report: Jon McConnell gave an oral report. \$250,000 received for the community courts project. Sign frames are complete and ready for installation, once frame is mounted, metal signs will be installed. Rooster Round-Up at Crossroads in April and Brat Fry will be in July 10, 2026. Donations need to be sent to Oshkosh Community Foundation. Donation discussions should center around what we currently have & not new projects. Continue Fix it First mentality.

Public Works Director's Report: Jason Carley gave an oral report. Tennis court demolition pushed back due to the recent snow. Upgrades to park bathrooms include new door locks, handles, and changing station at the Playground Park Family Bathroom.

Report from Volunteer Coordinator: Amy Gerstein provided a report. Still looking for a program for Earth Day/Arbor Days and thinking of teaming up with Library to hand out flowers. Amy is working to find volunteers to water the Playground Park Bridge.

Report from Public Outreach/Donation Coordinator: Kinas provided a report. Vandalism at Playground Park and repairs will be occurring. Donor boards for Playground Park All-Inclusive Park will be available next month. Kinas has met with some donors and requested updated pricing on projects and items needed.

Main Street Update: Mark Wilton provided a report. Congratulations on the community court project funding. Grant funding explained and opens on April 1, 2026. Six subcommittees of Main Street Program are coming together. Potential for collaboration with downtown flowers and cohesiveness between groups between the Main Street program & Parks & Recreation. Motion by McConnell, second by Siders to recognize Main Street Downtown Revitalization Committee will be responsible for downtown beautification to include flowers and Park & Recreation to be responsible for parks and flowers in the parks. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Tennis/Pickleball Update: McConnell provided an update-contract has been signed and construction date to be set. Gerstein submitted a grant to AARP which would cover benches, shading through AARP. Current budgeted money for Tennis/Pickleball to remain as is.

Playground Park Paths and Brick Walkway Update: Carley provided an update for potential sidewalk and brick placement. Discussions are still occurring for finalization.

Arbor Day/Earth Day Projects: Gerstein will contact Carley to create a program.

Playground Park Bridge Flower Quote: Kinas provided information on quotes received. Motion by Siders, second by Bratton to approve the all-inclusive bid #1 received from Blooms n Scapes. Aye: 4 Nays: 1 (Gerstein)

MOU for Deacon Mills Park Murals: Kinas provided an update. Motion by McConnell, second by Kinas to approve and forward MOU to City Council. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

2026 Budget Amendment: Discussion by members for budget amendment. Motion by McConnell, second by Siders to move \$2,000 from Downtown Flowers to Miscellaneous for total of \$10,000. Motion carried. Motion by McConnell, second by Siders to move \$1,000 from unassigned to Park Gardening for total of \$9,000. Motion by McConnell, second by Bratton to move \$4,000 from unassigned to create a Playground Park Mural Project. Motion carried. Motion by McConnell, second by Siders to move \$13,350 from unassigned to Playground Park Walk Path. Motion carried.

2026 Goal Update: Discussion between members.

Hattie Sherwood Beach Bridge: Kinas made a statement and requested the committee to invite our representatives to a meeting to bring this issue forward. McConnell provided options for committee members to consider for next meeting.

Correspondence: None

Council Agenda Items: MOU for Deacon Mills Park Mural

Park Board Agenda Items: Arbor Day/Earth Day Program, Hattie Sherwood Beach Bridge, Playground Park Walk Path

Motion made by Siders second by Kinas to adjourn. Motion carried. (5:10 pm)

Melissa M. Zamzow, Clerk