

Park and Recreation Board

DRAFT MINUTES

Recreation Office
Mason City, IA

2-11-2025
6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call Present Board Members: Adams, Fabian, Lala
Absent Board Members: Hansen, Levenhagen
Staff present: Burnett, Collins, Pauly, and Westendorf

Public Forum None

**Board Reports &
Correspondence:** None

Special Orders None

Consent

Agenda **Minutes:** Adams moved to approve the minutes dated January 14, 2025. Lala seconded the motion. All voted yea. (Adams, Fabian, Lala).

Facility Requests:

The board reviewed the facility request for Aeromet Engineering. Adams moved to approve the facility request with appropriate fee structure applied. Lala seconded the motion. All voted yea. (Adams, Fabian, Lala).

The board reviewed the facility request for Mason City Pickleball Club. Mandi Pralle was present. Westendorf did share that bleachers are not available for reservation. Pralle asked the board to wave or greatly reduce all facility request fees as they take the moneys raised during the tournament and reinvest back into the courts. Fabian shared her appreciation and love for Pickleball Classic and all that it does for Mason City. Adams made a motion to approve the facility request, wave the court reservation fees, and charge the garbage can, picnic table, and barricade fees. Lala seconded the motion. All voted yea (Adams, Fabian, Lala).

The board reviewed the facility request for the Mason City Farmers Market. Madison Nelson was present. All staff and board member questions were answered. Adams made a motion to approve the facility request for the 2025 Mason City Farmers Market and to add the Mason City Farmer's Market to the list of organizations who qualify for the facility request fee exemptions. Lala seconded the motion. All voted yea (Adams, Fabian, Lala).

The board reviewed the facility request for the North Iowa Impact Team. Fabian asked if electricity would be needed for the group serving. Burnett asked about the purpose of the North Iowa Impact Team. Pauly shared that North Iowa Impact Team is an all-volunteer group of North Iowans growing a non-profit focus on food, rescue and street outreach. Adams made a motion to approve the facility request for the North Iowa Impact Team and wave the facility request fees. Lala seconded the motion. All voted yea (Adams, Fabian, Lala).

- Staff Reports** Westendorf shared the park report with the board. He highlighted the following:
- The ice rink at Ray Rorick has been installed. The rink has been well used since the installation.
 - The Park Department has been working on painting tables.

Pauly shared his report with the board. He highlighted the following:

- Last month, the recreation department held their 15th Annual Ice Fishing Derby at Blue Pit. This is a great partnership with Iowa DNR.
- Meriel Johnson will be partnering with 43 North Iowa and One Vision to hold the department's first adaptive kickball program this summer.

Burnett reported that many projects are paused due to the winter weather. Work on the way finding signage for the bike park is ongoing. Burnett presented information about the bike amenities and prairie rock trail systems at the State of North Iowa and the Ask the Mayor program.

Action Items Pauly shared a memorandum with the Park board regarding Highland Park Golf Course Fees for 2025. Adams made a motion to approve the 2025 Highland Park Golf Course Fees for 2025 as stated on the memorandum. Lala seconded the motion. All voted yea (Adams, Fabian, Lala).

Future Action Items None

Adjournment Adams made a motion to adjourn at 6:22pm. Meeting adjourned at 6:22 pm.

ATTEST:

Doc Adams, Board Member

Melissa Fabian, Vice-Chair