

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
August 20th, 2025

The Parks & Recreation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, June 18th, 2025 At 5:15 p.m. at the Nevada Field House, 1625 Fawcett Pkwy, Nevada, Iowa. The agenda was posted August 16th, 2025, on the official bulletin board in compliance with the open meeting law.

Deb Parker called the meeting to order at 5:16 p.m. The roll was called, indicating the following named members present and absent. Present: Linda Griffith, Deb Parker, Karen Selby, Lacey Johnson and Tony Sneidermann. Absent: Mark Cahill. Others Present: Rhonda Maier, Sarah Makovec, Mayor Ryan Condon, Kari Bell, and Mike Miller.

Motion by Board Member Linda Griffith and seconded by Board Member Tony Sneidermann to approve the agenda. After due consideration and discussion, the Chair put the question upon the motion, and the roll being called, the following-named Board Members voted Aye: Griffith, Johnson, Parker, Selby and Sneidermann. All Nay: None.

The Board Elected Deb Parker as the Board Chairperson and Tony Sneidermann as the Vice Chairperson.

Motion by Board Member Tony Sneidermann and seconded by Board Member Linda Griffith to approve the consent agenda. After due consideration and discussion, the Chair put the question upon the motion, and the roll being called, the following Board Members voted Aye: Griffith, Johnson, Parker, Selby and Sneidermann. All Nay:

Public Forum:

- No items were brought before the Board.

Old Business:

A. Update on Splash Pad Project.

Rhonda met with JEO and received a new concept. Jordan approved moving forward with the design. The splashpad has a large accessible play structure, several small play features, and provides a lot of play value. Staff is looking into different grants to help with the cost.

Motion by Board Member Lacey Johnson. Seconded by Board Member Linda Griffith to approve moving forward with new concept. After due consideration and discussion, the Chair put the question upon the motion and the roll being called, the following Board Members voted Aye: Griffith, Johnson, Parker, Selby and Sneidermann. All Nay: None.

B. SRF Project Update

Fairgrounds through west of Indian Creek well underway. Project delays due to rain and flooding have pushed back substantial completion.

New Business:

A. Hattery Park Playground Discussion

It is time to replace the play equipment at Hattery Park, currently working with a few different companies to come up with designs and concepts. Looking into finding a hybrid concept with some traditional features and some natural-looking features to provide a variety of play value. The board approves moving forward with the idea of a hybrid play area.

B. Nevada Bark Park Discussion

The dog park has been a discussion in Nevada for a very long time. After reviewing different ideas and locations, Harrington Park looks seems to be the best location available at this time. The location at Harrington would be the NW Corner. It is away from large neighborhoods, there is parking, water and electricity are also available. Trail access is expected in the future. It is not expected that flooding will be an issue in this location. The Board approves moving forward with this location.

C. Pool Heater Repair

Pool Heaters are no longer functional and will not be able to run next year without the necessary repairs. A price was given by Harvest Heating and Cooling for labor and materials to repair the pool heater system and replacement of boilers, pumps, and other necessary components.

Motion by Board Member Linda Griffith. Seconded by Board Member Lacey Johnson to approve having repairs done to the pool heaters by Harvest at the amount of \$49,847. After due consideration and discussion, the Chair put the question upon the motion and the roll being called, the following Board Members voted Aye: Griffith, Johnson, Parker, Selby and Sneidermann. All Nay: None
Staff Reports

Rhonda Maier:

Offered and accepted the Director of Parks and Recreation job. Closed the pool for the season and had a great, safe season. Starting up our fall activities. Working with the staff as a team to get some things done in the parks and other areas. The Wall That Heals was a very successful and fulfilling event. We were honored to be able to help and make sure everything went well. This was one of the best community events that P& R had the opportunity to be involved in.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Board member Tony Sneidermann and Seconded by Lacey Johnson to adjourn. The Roll being called the following Board members voted. Aye: Cahill, Miller, Griffith, Parker, and Sneidermann. Nay: None. Whereupon the Chair declared the motion carried and at 6:47 the meeting adjourned.

Deb Parker, Chairperson

Attest:

Sarah Makovec, Secretary