



PARK & RECREATION MEETING Minutes of May 7, 2025

The Park and Recreation Board met at the Alexandria City Building on the above date at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Present:

Fred Hollmann

Rick Carr

Karen Minshall

Absent:

Daniel Phirman

Also Present: David Plummer, City Administrator

Carey Franks, Recreation Assistant

Kim Wagner, Recreation Director

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 2, 2025

MOTION: Rick Carr made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 2, 2025 meeting, seconded by Fred Hollman. All in favor, the motion passed 3-0-0.

VISITORS and GUESTS: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discuss/Update Bylaws: The Board chose to table the discussion until the next meeting.

Arbor Day Tree Giveaway: This was a success, all 500 trees found a home.

2025/2026 Budget: The Board agreed to request \$80,500 for the budget for 2025-2026. They plan to put in a play structure (ages 2-5), and new swings since current swings are not in compliance. Rick Carr stated the lake path needs repair near the wetland, there is some cracking and falling away. Mr. Carr wants this to be looked into and see if public works can install drainage pipe, so water will not continue to flow over path increasing crumbling edge.

Park Use Survey: Ms. Franks has been monitoring the results of the current Community Park Survey, Twenty-seven completed surveys so far. There have been some mentioning needs for water recreation of some kind and a dog park. The survey will continue for another month.

New Playground Equipment: After looking at 3 different options, see attached. The Board preferred the Miracle quote # 25/0325/20 at a total of \$49,204.38.

MOTION: Rick Carr made a motion to approve the Miracle quote #25/0325/20, seconded by Fred Hollmann. All in favor, motion passed 3-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Spring/Early Summer Events: "Kids in Parks" Day is scheduled for May 17, 2025; "A-Town Kids Bootcamp" will offer a bootcamp style experience for kids. Fishing Derby is June 7th; Kiwanis has agreed to once again provide lunch for all. T-shirts for the Derby have been ordered; they will be green with black emblem.

Recreational Director Update: Ms. Wagner stated we have muskrats in the lake; they can cause erosion and can affect dam. Sharp's Nuisance Wildlife Removal will be setting traps to catch them for a week mid-May at a cost of \$125 per day. Ms. Wagner has also been looking into

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updating our old camera system, to get prices for possible surveillance expansion of the park, checking with other cities to see if they use surveillance as well. Ms. Franks presented a plan to add more signage to direct visitors to the park, updating two current signs on Grandview and Alexandria Drive. Brown and white signs were suggested, as this represents parks throughout Kentucky and beyond. They will get in touch with state roads for requirements, size, etc. for these signs.

City Administrator Update: Mr. Plummer mentioned we are looking for another board member to replace Laura. The board asked the city to post it out on Facebook, asking candidates to come to the next meeting to speak with board. Mr. Plummer also mentioned the City Building is moving along, but building has been slowed with the amount of rain we've had recently.

Agenda items for next Meeting:

- a. Surveillance Camera Update
- b. Street Sign Update
- c. Park Survey Update
- d. Bylaws Update
- e. Fishing Derby Update
- f. Replacement for Park Board member
- g. Recreational Director Update
- h. City Administrator Update

COMMUNICATION: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Fred Hollmann made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Karen Minshall. All in favor, the motion passed 3-0-0.

Attested to and submitted by:

Aughania Tarter, City Clerk

Dated 7/2/2025

Attested to and submitted by:

Karen Minshall, Chairperson

Dated 7/2/2025