

## Parks Board Minutes

MEETING Date: April 2, 2025, at 4 PM

MEETING PLACE: City Hall- Council Chambers

The City of Madison Parks Board held its monthly meeting on the 2nd day of April 2025 at 4:00 p.m. in City Hall.

**Calling of roll and notice of absentees:** The meeting was called to order by Board President Carla Krebs. Other Board members in attendance were David Hertz, Phil Kahn and Jake Shockley. Also, in attendance were Tanya Burnette, Director of Operations, Roger Gallatin, Sunrise Golf Pro and Kim Eaglin, Park Secretary.

**Approval of Minutes:** Jake made a motion to accept the minutes from the March meeting as distributed. David seconded the motion, all approved. Motion carried.

**Claims:** Carla made a motion to accept the claims as presented. Phil seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

**Park Team Report:** Kenny Roberts, our Brown Gym and Senior Center custodian, retired March 28<sup>th</sup>. Kim Eaglin will retire May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Linda Lee will start April 14<sup>th</sup> and is training with Kim. Seasonal hiring is in progress currently. Our hiring fair is Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 12-3pm at the Brown Gym.

Field work is in progress at Rucker, John Paul and Kiwanis. New dugouts are completed at John Paul.

Phase 1 of REC software is scheduled to be launched April 15<sup>th</sup>. Baseball, softball and T ball numbers are continuing to rise for the 2025 season.

Crystal Beach Aquatic Park is scheduled to open Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, with weekday hours through June 8 from noon to 6 p.m. and weekend hours 11 a.m. to 6pm. From June 9 to September 1, hours will be noon to 6 p.m. on weekdays and 11 a.m. to 7p.m. on weekends. Programming classes begin June 9<sup>th</sup>, from 8am to noon and 6 to 8pm.

Roger Gallatin gave the Sunrise Golf Course report. He announced that the 45 new golf carts have arrived and are being leased from Midwest Golf Turf to replace 33 older carts owned by the City of Madison. The 33 older carts were sold for \$39,600 to the leasing company with sale proceeds going towards paying off the Parks Department 's \$575,000 debt. Our lease allows repair and maintenance to be done by the leasing company which eliminates a lot of man hours of using our mechanic. Youth golf is creating overcrowding at Sunrise. Roger proposed creating a driving range at the city's former landfill which is close by. Board member, Jake Shockley, feels the range is much needed. This would provide a place for Junior and senior high school golfers to practice and also relieve the overcrowding at Sunrise.

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 7, 2025, at 4 PM in City Hall.

Adjourn: Jake made a motion to adjourn. Carla seconded the motion. All Approved. Motion carried.

Attested: Carla E Krebs

Parks Board President/Vice President

