



MADISON PARKS AND RECREATION

Parks Board Minutes

MEETING Date: November 12, 2025, at 4:00 pm

MEETING PLACE: City Hall- Council Chambers

The City of Madison Parks Board held its monthly meeting this 12th day of November 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 Jake Shockley, David Hertz and Phil Kahn. Also, in attendance were Tanya Burnette, Director of Operations, Christian Hanson, Superintendent of Grounds, Roger Gattatin, Sunrise Golf Pro, Brett Ricketts, Community Development Director and Linda Lee, Park Secretary.

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

Claims: Phil Kahn made a motion to accept the claims as presented. David Hertz seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

Action Item: Rates for 2026 were discussed. The Golf Board determined the rates for the golf course after many tries. Crystal Beach general admission will drop the age to start paying from 6 to 5 and some pass prices will change. Hunter Hall and pool rental prices will increase. Walking and exercise passes and pickleball passes will increase at the Brown Gym. Summer, Fall and Winter sports at Rucker will increase. Phil moved to accept the rate increases and David seconded the motion, all approved. Motion carried.

Park Team Report: Tanya presented the P & L for Crystal Beach. The YTD Income for 2025 was \$39,227.85. Allocations from the Campground and moving other amounts within the Crystal Beach funds will be used to eliminate the negative in Crystal Beach payroll. The P & L for the Campground shows YTD Income of \$88,340.68. Carla was concerned about the large negative numbers at the end of the appropriation report for the Campground. Phil would like further clarification on the appropriation reports. Tanya, Mindy and Shirley will meet to address this. Carla would like to RV spot next to the bathroom at the Campground to be numbered and included as a spot to reserve.

Christian advised getting the golf course ready to close and removing leaves from the rest of the parks. Roger and he will be getting videos on golf etiquette. Jake would like the water leaks addressed. Christian said they address the leaks as they find them. A new irrigations system is needed. The current one has been in use since 1977.

Brett Cahall's report was submitted.

Roger presented his reports and advised 2026 rates were determined. Golf Now passes have increased. The old golf carts were sold and the funds used to decrease the water loan. Other videos that will be available are fixing ball marks, the 90-degree rule on carts, and various other skills like the juniors are learning.

Brett Ricketts presented his report on the Senior Center. One hundred and twenty meals were served. The LifeTime program is on hiatus. Eighteen seniors went to Brown Co. State Park. The seniors also went bowling in Vevay and ate at the Mexican restaurant. Next month they plan to go to Lights Under Louisville. The board game group averaged 6-8 people each week. They would like to get 15 or twenty interested. Brett advised he had rented the Senior Center 5-8 times in the past year. He believes that, once the public is made aware the Center can be rented, it will be used a lot. The Harvest Festival was attended by 1500-2000 people. The hayride was not held due to fewer contributions. Brett suggested using the Trolley next year to take Trick or Treaters to the Campground. He said Vaughn Drive wouldn't have to be closed that way. Carla said it would be good to close Vaughn Drive due to the number of children attending the festival and concerns for safety. To create a smaller footprint, Brett suggested having the food trucks park on the south side of Vaughn Drive instead of Legacy Park. The number of Trick or Treaters at the Campground was 85-100. Thirteen responses were received by the campground attendants about decorating campers at the campground. Light Up Madison will be on 11/28. Trinity will have Christmas Carolers with hot chocolate, coffee and cider and crafts for kids. The Farmers Market will be set up. Carla said to get the word out about the additional activities. The Christmas Parade and Celebration will be on 12/6. Santa and the Grinch will be present. Bouncy Houses, a slide and 9 food trucks will be there. Brett is getting Santa's house set up in front of the Comfort Station.

It was suggested to put the availability of renting the Senior Center in the newsletter.

Public Comment: Lisa Ferguson would like to know when the pool will open and what the new prices will be before May. She would like to know in January. Where she lived before moving here, prices were higher for people coming from other counties. She would like to see that here. Jan Vethrus sent Carla questions/comments through email. She would like the total number of pool passes posted online and made public record. She would also like to see how many times Hunter Hall was rented, both full and half days, and weekdays and weekends. We pay Spear Aquatics to open and close the pool. Three were sent to "Pool School" to learn about handling some of the procedures to open and close the pool. We will still have to utilize Spear for some of the opening and closing tasks so we will still have to budget for that. She asked about the FEMA funds. The Mayor addressed this question advising that receiving the funds was a long process. He also said the condition of the parks had come a long way and more capital improvements are in process as well as a plan to rehab the Brown Gym. Lisa Ferguson and Jan Vethrus would like to meet with others to market the pool better for next year to make it more successful.

The meeting that would have been on December 3, 2025 was cancelled due to the proximity of the November meeting.

Next meeting: Wednesday, January 7, 2026 at 4:00 pm in City Hall.

Adjourn: Phil made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by David. All Approved. Motion carried.

Attested:



Parks Board President/Vice President

