



# MADISON PARKS AND RECREATION

## Parks Board Minutes

MEETING Date: January 7, 2026 at 4:00 pm  
MEETING PLACE: City Hall- Council Chambers

The City of Madison Parks Board held its monthly meeting this 7th day of January 2026 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 and David Hertz. Also, in attendance were Tanya Burnette, Director of Operations, Christian Hanson, Superintendent of Grounds, Roger Gattatin, Sunrise Golf Pro, Brett Cahall, Athletic Program Manager, Sarah Foland, Senior Center Director, and Linda Lee, Park Secretary. *OK C&K*

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

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

**Park Team Report:** Tanya presented a year-end review of all the parks with statistics on each area of parks and financial overviews. Schedules of 2026 meetings and fees were given to all board members. Bookings for the Campground were opened on 1/6/26 at noon. Reservations within the first 24 hours were \$47,740. The Parks team will have a planning session for 2026. Opening and operating hours will be presented at the next meeting. David commended the team for rising to all challenges overcome in 2025. Parks started ½ million dollars in debt and came out in the positive.

Christian advised the golf course was moving forward with drainage and land clearing. Work has started at the 16<sup>th</sup> tee. All work being done is for the health of the golf course. Work will be done at the Crystal Beach pool house to make it better and safer. The campground will have tree work and fertilization done.

Roger advised \$107,000 in season passes for 2026 were sold in 2025. See his report for other numbers. The 2026 First Tee schedule was posted on 1/7/26 on the national First Tee website. He is involving the high school golf teacher to get high school juniors involved to start a feeder program for high school golf. Roger would like to have a mini camp when the students are out of school. He is trying to expand programs and keep students involved.

Brett Cahall advised that 4 more weeks of basketball were ongoing. A football clinic for fundamentals and skills will commence for students from 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grades every other Saturday starting 1/10 from 5 pm – 7 pm at the Brown Gym through March then move to the complex. A league director position will be posted for baseball and softball next week. Registration for baseball and softball season will open in early February.

Sarah Foland was introduced as the new Senior Center Director. She was hired 6 weeks ago. She is a retired teacher. She wants to get more seniors involved in the center.

Mayor Bob Courtney addressed the Park Board and those present thanking the board for serving and the Parks & Rec team for their efforts. He outlined his plans for Parks for 2026 including the Damon Welch Park project. Bids will be delivered on 1/20/26 with a proposed groundbreaking in 4-6 weeks. He advised that Parks will be a big part of his State of the City address by continuing to implement the master parks plan.

**Next meeting:** Wednesday, February 4, 2026 at 4:00 pm in City Hall.

**Adjourn:** Carla made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Jake. All Approved. Motion carried.

Attested:



Parks Board President/Vice President

