



Trail to the Past. Road to the Future.

PARK AND RECREATION BOARD MINUTES

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
21 5TH STREET E, MANTORVILLE, MN 55955
Tuesday, April 29, 2025

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Brad Germundson called meeting to order at 6:03 pm.
 - a. **Members Present for Quorum:** Brad Germundson, Lyle Hoaglund, Matt Wohlenhaus, Brandy Ramer, Don Hofsted, Kim Boyum
 - b. **Members Absent:** Martha Vrieze
 - c. **Special Guests:** Joe Adams, Public Works; Wendy Siewert, Deputy City Clerk; Mati Ruehmann, Tom Monson

2. **Park Walk-Around:** Meet at 6:00 PM at Council Chambers.
 - a. **Riverside Park**

Members of the Park Board checked out the new Bandshell and Basketball construction area. While there, Brian Hindaul from Larger Than Life met with the board to decide where a good location was for the Star of Life. Everyone agreed that the east side of the park would be good, it would be visible to those driving by and its close enough to an electrical outlet. Mati Ruehmann also showed up to get the approval for a 6 ft memorial park bench. It was decided to go with the option of the bench near the playground by the tire swing between the 2 stone benches.

Member Lyle Hoaglund motioned and member Don Hofsted seconded to approve the park bench.

Passed. 6 yeas / 0 nays
 - b. **Denneson Park**

Members of the Park Board met briefly at Denneson Park for a walk around. Joe Adams explained a few changes coming up. The expansion of the parking lot, adding 1 more spot to the end.

3. **Adopt the Agenda:**
 - a. All members unanimously approved the agenda.

Passed. 6 yeas / 0 nays

4. **Approval of 3.25.2025 Park Minutes:**
 - a. Member Brandy motioned and member Matt Wohlenhaus seconded to approve the park minutes.

Passed. 6 yeas / 0 nays

5. **New Business**
 - a. **Park Shelter Fundraiser:** Rosa is asking for the shelter fee to be waived for a fundraiser for a community member with a cancer diagnosis.

Member Brandy Ramer motioned and member Matt Wohlenhaus seconded the fee to be waived.

Passed. 6 yeas / 0 nays

- b. Tree City USA: It has been 7 years being a part of Tree City. This year, a Burgundy Bell was planted at Riverside Park.
- c. Overflow Parking: For the last few years, there have been 3 campers that used Slingerland Park during Marigold Days. Because they are not able to use it this year, Joe would like to have the board approve the use of Mantor Field for only these certain individuals. There have never been any complaints in the past. There are no games going on. A fee will be charged, the same they paid in previous years.

Member Matt Wohlenhaus motioned and member Brandy Ramer approve the use of Mantor Field. Joe will bring to council.

Passed. 6 yeas / 0 nays

- d. Pickleball Update: Groundbreaking will begin when weather cooperates. Then the base will get set, cement laid and cured for a month, then lines will be added. As of now, they are planning for it to be done by the beginning of July. Court size will be 108 ft from west to east.

6. Tabled / Revisit Items

- a. Basketball Court – Total price is \$58, 579. Council approved using left over extra money from other projects toward the basketball court. S.L. Contracting had the lowest bid.
- b. Bandshell – Rules and Reservations, Fees and Deposit, Tom Monson from Music in Mantorville. Application and Policy was revised and the fee of \$50 and a refundable \$100 deposit was added. Tom and the board all agreed with the changes. Tom mentioned adding a QR code for reservations. Once the website is working correctly, Wendy will get it added.

All members unanimously approved the application and policy. This will be added to the City Council meeting for approval.

Passed. 6 yeas / 0 nays

- c. Answers from League of MN Cities regarding signs. Collecting fees for advertising. The city is allowed to set fees and generate revenue. The tracking of funds will have to go through a special revenue fund.
- d. Answers from City of Eyota regarding signs at ballfield. The City of Eyota is not a 501c3, they did send out a mailing to local businesses for a 4x8 vinyl corrugated sign for \$150/year and \$150/year renewal. Signs are removed late fall and stored in their Public Works Department. Money raised goes back into the park/field for updates and maintenance.

Brandy Ramer will check with Shea Design to see what they charge. The signs will be tabled for next meeting.

7. Old Business

- a. Grants: Nothing at the moment.
- b. Riverside Park: Water is on. Bathrooms open.
- c. Campground: Water is on.
- d. Bergmann Park: Nothing at the moment.
- e. Slingerland Park: Weather permitting for start of pickleball.
- f. Mantor Field: Playing on the field now, it's dry to wet.

- g. K-M Dog Park: Nothing new.
- h. Denneson Field: Playing now, some erosion, would like to add more parking to the west.
- i. Community Gardens: All rented
- j. Community / Park Tree Management: Council approved to take the trees out.

8. City Staff Updates / Reports

- a. Brad started. Boyum will start spraying.

9. Joint Ventures Updates

- a. No updates.

10. Next board meeting is Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at 6:30 PM

11. Adjourn:

- a. Member Matt Wohlenhaus motioned and Member Lyle Hoaglund seconded to adjourn.
Passed. 5 yay / 0 nay

Adjourn at 8:12 pm.