



**Lake Lure Parks & Recreation
Regular Board Meeting
January 8, 2026**

Call to Order

Board Chairman Robin Worcester called to order the January 8, 2025, Regular Meeting of the Parks & Recreation Board at 1:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members present:

Chairman Robin Worcester	Mr. Dan Bragdon	Ms. Jennifer Vivolo
Mr. Matt Manzi	Mr. Ozzie McFarland	Ms. Debbie Warren
Mr. Dan Gorman		

Board Members absent:

Mr. Larry Czajkoski

Other's own Staff and Contributors Present:

Jim Proctor, Town Council Liaison
Dana Bradley, Director Parks, Recreation & Lake
Laura Krecji, Communications Director
Mo Bay, Lake Lure Flowering Bridge Liaison
Group representing pickle ball players of the area

Agenda and Meeting Minutes

The agenda for the January 8, 2025, regular meeting was reviewed. **Ms. Warren made a motion to adopt the agenda. Mr. McFarland seconded the motion, and all members voted in favor.**

The minutes from the December 4, 2025 board meeting were reviewed. **Ms. Warren made a motion to adopt the minutes as presented. Mr. Gorman seconded the motion, and all members voted in favor.**

New Business

Pickleball Funding Proposal

Jennifer Grigg spoke to the board on behalf of a group of residents to share a preliminary proposal for a grant opportunity to develop a pickleball complex. Although board members

expressed general support for the concept, additional discussion is needed regarding the Town's required matching funds and the flexibility of the proposed site location.

PRB Communications

Parks, Recreation & Lake Monthly Report

Director Bradley opened up to any questions or comments regarding the monthly report. There were no questions or comments from the board.

Updates of Town Trails

Director Bradley reported that progress continues on the Turtle Rock Trail. She recently hiked Buffalo Creek Park (BCP), where the contractor is still completing park repairs. An official reopening date has not yet been determined. Bids have been issued for repairs to Weed Patch Mountain. Additionally, Chimney Rock State Park has secured property to establish access to the Eagle Rock side of the Weed Patch Mountain Trail.

She also noted the strong interest in the temporary disc golf course initially installed by Dan Bragdon. A professional disc golfer has expressed interest in helping elevate the course to tournament-ready standards.

Lake Lure Flowering Bridge

Mo Bay, representing the Lake Lure Flowering Bridge, reported the Education Center will be open. Events and classes are noted on their website. There was discussion of the footprint of the property.

Town Events

Laura Krejci, Communications Director provided an insightful report of the Town's events. Collegiate Rowing Teams, The Rumble (rock climbing event) and the Arbor Day event were all noted. Additional Comprehensive Planning gatherings will be held in the future.

Input from Town Council Liaison

Councilman Proctor reported on the Morse Park master plan. We will need more information from the public and this would be tasked to get the information.

Old Business

LLCA Community Garden

Mr. McFarland facilitated a discussion regarding a grant opportunity for a community garden. The grant requires maintenance during the summer months when school is not in session. Once the plans are more fully developed, an announcement can be made to assess community interest in assisting with the garden's upkeep.

Morse Park Planning

Director Bradley led a discussion on the planning of Morse Park. Town Council has asked the board to evaluate the site as a blank slate and provide recommendations for its future development.

Proposed amenities included vehicle and boat trailer parking, restrooms and showers, a hydration refill station, a non-motorized boat launch, picnic areas, pickleball courts, and fast EV charging stations. There was also interest in incorporating a large covered event space suitable for staged performances and farmers market-style gatherings. The community survey results will be discussed in future board meetings.

Other Comment


Adjournment

Mr. Gorman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:51 p.m. Mr. Manzi seconded the motion, and all members were in favor.

Minutes were transcribed by Corbie Bradley.

The next regular meeting of the Parks & Recreation Board meeting will be February 5, 2026 at 1:30 p.m. This meeting will be held at the Parks, Recreation, and Lake Office.

ATTEST:



Robin Worcester, Chairman



Corbie Bradley, Town Clerk