



PARKS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

November 03, 2025 at 4:45 PM

1260 North Road Mauston, WI

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call:** The Board of Parks Commission met on Monday, November 3, 2025, at the Public Works Building. Chair Mike Taake called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m. Members present were Mike Taake, Dan Holzberger, Lori Hammer, Mary Ann Allaby, Todd Galbrecht, and Laura Taake. Member absent was Amanda Ketcham. Also present were Parks Superintendent Jordan Wilke, Luella Wilke and Liv Wilke.
2. **Minutes:** Motion by Hammer, seconded by L. Taake, to approve the minutes from October 6, 2025. Motion carried by voice vote.
3. **Financial Reports:** The financial reports were reviewed. Wilke clarified a question concerns CESA 10 and Time Clock Plus, Inc.
4. **Parks:** Wilke provided an update on current projects and activities as noted below.
 - a. Lions Park Hitting Wall & Nets: The hitting wall arrived during the week of October 20, but installation will occur in spring 2026 with the start of the tennis season. The Sterling Walsh Foundation memorial recognition will coincide with the MHS tennis alumni tournament scheduled for April 25, 2026. After consulting with the windscreen company and considering labor intensity and the cost of materials (more than 100 zip ties), the windscreens will remain in place until replacement.
 - b. Jones Park - Soccer and Youth Football: TruGreen's aeration and over seeding services have been successful. The multipurpose athletic field remains on track for use beginning next summer. Youth football and youth soccer presidents will work together to coordinate a shared usage schedule.
 - c. May Park Improvements: Discussion included potential improvements or additional holes for the disc golf course. Wilke suggested this could be a future budget consideration. It was recommended that MHS classes collaborate on certain projects when relevant to their curriculum (e.g. Landscaping and Forestry). Sledding activity occurs at May Park during winter. Wilke also noted existing lighting and electrical capability considerations.
 - d. Little Dog Park: Wilke reported that fencing installation is the final step to complete this project.
5. **Staff Report**
 - a. Seasonal Updates: All public restrooms and the splash pad have been winterized. City crews are installing holiday lights while continuing street clearance work. Tennis and pickleball nets

are being removed and stored for the season, and perennial cleanup is being finalized at the parks. With budget preparation underway, Wilke will invite City Administrator Daron Haugh to the December meeting to discuss the 2026 Parks budget. Ideas will include increasing access to a full-size basketball court at Lions Park and elsewhere in the City. The Board requested an update on MSA's planning efforts for Lions Park. Wilke noted that electrical infrastructure at Riverside Park will need upgrades. Board members are encouraged to consider and bring forward infrastructure improvement ideas or additions to the park system.

6. **Adjourn:** Motion by Allaby, seconded by M. Taake, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.
Meeting adjourned at 5:24 p.m.