



Parks and Trails Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 15, 2025
Wayzata City Hall - Community Room

Attendees: Chair Tory Schalkle, Sarah Randolph, Sarah Showalter, Christian Erard, and Bianca Jensen.

Staff: Parks and Environment Planner Nick Kieser.

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM by Chair Schalkle.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Chair Schalkle motioned to approve agenda. Erard seconded. Motion approved unanimously.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Chair Schalkle motioned to approve minutes as is, Christian Erard seconded. Motion approved unanimously.
4. **Public Comments:** Two stakeholders were present at the meeting but did not have any public comment.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. **Klapprich Park Update:** A neighborhood meeting was held this week with Council Members, city staff, and neighborhood stakeholders. The neighbors noted that they would like additional landscaping and screening in the gaps in the current landscaping. For example, where the current Arborvitae trees are on the hillside, they wish to see larger trees. Council will discuss the option to add additional landscaping at their workshop meeting. At this workshop, Council can direct staff to bring forward an option for additional landscaping to fill in the gaps which would be brought forward at a future Council meeting for review.

- b. Winter Community Ed Review:** Staff noted that City Council has approved three-year agreement with Wayzata Community Education to implement year-round community classes. Since the agreement has been approved, Community Ed provided a timeline of their planning process for each season. Staff will add a review of the Community Ed catalog according to this new schedule.

Community Ed has noted that there has been trouble finding instructors for outdoor skating lessons. Chair Schalkle will reach out to the local high schools to see if there are any students or coaches who would be interested in teaching these types of classes.

6. Other Business

- a. Communications Recap:** No new business to communicate.

- b. Staff Updates**

- i. Staff received estimates for the City Hall Park/ Library Children's Garden path. Council will review the updated Parks and Trails CIP at the November 5th Council workshop. Staff also had a meeting with the Wayzata Garden Club, and they will potentially donate to this project.
- ii. The beach park water feature/ mister was brought up. It is still on despite the cool temps. Wondering if it can be turned off and if time it is on can be shorter.
- iii. Chair Schalkle proposed a community pickleball league like the City of Woodbury implemented. The Board all liked the idea and Chair Schalkle will gauge community interest.
- iv. Chair Schalkle brought up the idea of doing an "Adopt a Park" volunteer program for clean up throughout the year or to be the point person to receive feedback on the park.
- v. Chair Schalkle brought up the idea of a beach toy "borrow box" at the Beach Park, like a "Little Free Library" for beach toys. It would be for anyone at the beach to borrow while at the beach. The Board all loved this idea.
- vi. Chair Schalkle brought up the idea proposed to have a Paul Klapprich statue outside of the warming house as a way to honor him and the community impact he has had.

- c. Future Agenda Items**

- i. Review Wayzata Community Ed Calendar
- ii. Beach Sprayer Update
- iii. Ice Skating Instructors
- iv. Klapprich Park Ribbon Cutting - proposing doing both: one for winter and one for spring.

7. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Chair Schalkle at 7:05 PM, seconded by Showalter.

Motion passed unanimously.

- a. Next meeting is scheduled for November 19th.