



PARK COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 16, 2025

Call Meeting to Order: The Baldwin Park Committee Meeting was called to order by Chair Zac Good at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance: All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Chair Zac Good, committee members Mary Larson, Robb Rydmark, and Lester Kriesel, and alternate member Rosie Walker.

Absent: Vice-Chair Sarah Koste

Also present: City Council Liaison Tom Rush

Approval of Agenda:

Lester Kriesel made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Rosie Walker seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes from September 18, 2025:

Rosie Walker made a motion to approve the September 18, 2025 Park Committee meeting minutes as written. Mary Larson seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

PLAT: None.

Tabled Items:

Trail Signs

There are no updated proofs at this time.

Rosie Walker made a motion to table the trail signs until the January 2026 Park Committee meeting. Mary Larson seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

New Business:

Goose Lake Park Signs

The Park Committee would like to add signage at Goose Lake Park. This could be added to the group of signs that are being ordered for Young Park. Zac Good suggested a trail map sign. Tom Rush suggested an entrance sign. Rosie Walker asked if we could reach out to the Eagle Scouts about making a sign for Goose Lake. This is for discussion only at this time.

November and December Park Meetings

In previous years, the Park Committee has decided not to meet in November and December to be respectful of family time during the holiday months. The Park Committee's scheduled dates for November and December are Thursday, November 20, 2025 and Thursday, December 18, 2025. Robb Rydmark asked that if the Park Committee needs to meet for any reason, that a two-week notice should be given.

Zac Good motioned to cancel November and December Park Committee meetings and resume Park Committee meetings in January 2026. Mary Larson seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

2026 Park Committee Meeting Schedule

Rosie Walker motioned to approve the 2026 Park Committee meeting schedule. Zac Good seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Goals for 2026

City Council Liaison Tom Rush asked the Park Committee to think about goals they would like to see the Park Committee discuss in 2026.

Mary Larson stated she would like to see advertising signage or sponsorship signs from companies around the area for the ballfield at Young Park.

Alternate Jackie Faddler stated she would like to see a community garden with flowers and/or vegetables.

Robb Rydmark would like to see a park like Young Park on the west side of Highway 169. Zac Good suggested looking at the property the City owns by Lake Diann.

Tom Rush would like to see a scoreboard at the ballfield at Young Park.

Other goals discussed were a splash pad, dog park, disc golf, Sandy Lake Beach improvements and looking at the 3 acres that the city owns located by Highway 169.

Old Business: None

Comprehensive Plan: None

Park Updates, City Council Liaison Tom Rush:

City Council Liaison Tom Rush updated the Park Committee on the most recent City Council actions and discussions.

Other Business:

Robb Rydmark thanked Mary Larson for the great job she did on FunFest.

Deputy Clerk, Kayla Nielsen, updated the Park Committee on information from Barry at the Mille Lacs County Historical Society.

Adjourn Meeting –

***Zac Good made a motion to adjourn the Park Committee meeting at 8:15 pm.
Lester Kriesel seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.***


Submitted by: Kayla Nielsen
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer


Approved by: ~~Zac Good~~ Sarah Koste
Vice-Chair


Date

Attendees: Alternate member Jackie Faddler and Alan Walker.