



PARK COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 19, 2026

Call Meeting to Order: The Baldwin Park Committee Meeting was called to order by Mary Larson at 7:02 pm.

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

Present: Committee members Mary Larson, Robb Rydmark, and alternate members Rosie Walker and Jackie Faddler.

Absent: Vice Chair Sarah Koste, and committee member Lester Kriesel.

Also present: City Planner, Dan Licht, and City Council Liaison Tom Rush

Approval of Agenda:

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

Approval of Minutes from January 15, 2026:

Rosie Walker made a motion to approve the January 15, 2026 Park Committee meeting minutes as written. Robb Rydmark seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

PLAT: None.

Tabled Items:

Election of Officers:

The Deputy Clerk opened nominations for chair.

Rosie Walker nominated Mary Larson for Chair of the Park Committee. There were no other nominations. Robb Rydmark seconded the nomination for Mary Larson as Chair of the Park Committee. All in favor. Motion carried. Mary Larson accepted the nomination.

The Deputy Clerk opened nominations for Vice Chair.

Mary Larson nominated Robb Rydmark for Vice Chair of the Park Committee. There were no other nominations. Rosie Walker seconded the nomination for Robb Rydmark as Vice Chair of the Park Committee. All in favor. Motion carried. Robb Rydmark declined the nomination.

Mary Larson made a motion to table the appointment of Vice Chair until the March 19, 2026 Park Committee meeting. Rosie Walker seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Young Park and Goose Lake Trail Signs

The Deputy Clerk spoke with Dean Kleinhans from Sherburne County. Mr. Kleinhans worked on the original trail signs at Young Park. Dean noted that Reynolds Balloon in Princeton helped create the signs. The Deputy Clerk reached out to Reynolds Balloon. They stated they no longer have the original design due to a program upgrade and their machine to make signs is currently out of service.

Rosie Walker asked about looking at other vendors and asked for a sample of the work to check the quality of the sign.

Rosie Walker made a motion to table the Young Park and Goose Lake Park trail signs until the March 19, 2026 Park Committee meeting. Rosie Walker made a friendly to check with Public Works to complete the trail measurements. Jackie Faddler seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

New Business:

Introducing Dan Licht – City Planning and Zoning Administrator

Dan Licht is the City's Planning and Zoning Administrator. City Council has approved City Planner Licht to start attending Park Committee meetings. City Planner Licht introduced himself to the Park Committee and answered questions about park dedication fees, future park planning, and the comprehensive plan.

Accept Zac Good and Sarah Koste Resignations

Zac Good submitted a resignation letter on January 15, 2026 effective immediately. This was approved by the City Council on January 21, 2026.

Sarah Koste submitted a resignation letter on January 28, 2026 effective after the Park Committee meeting in March. The City Council will consider the resignation at the March 4, 2026 City Council meeting.

Mary Larson motioned to approve both Zac Good and Sarah Koste's resignations. Robb Rydmark seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Park Ad for Vacancies Posted

The ad for Park Committee vacancies has been posted. This will run in the Union Times for 2 weeks. This was also posted on our website, Facebook page, and sent via TextMyGov. Deadline to apply is Monday, March 16, 2026.

The Park Committee Bylaws state the Park Committee can nominate an interested individual to serve out the remainder of the vacating member's term. This would need to be approved by the City Council.

Mary Larson asked Rosie Walker and Jackie Faddler if they are interested in being nominated for a Park Committee term. Rosie Walker accepted. Jackie Faddler is undecided.

Mary Larson motioned to nominate alternate Rosie Walker to the Park Committee with a term ending in April of 2028. Jackie Faddler seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discuss Quarterly Park Meetings

The Park Committee discussed the option of switching to quarterly Park Committee meetings due to the lack of agenda items and the current absence of members, with the option of calling a special meeting if needed.

This is for discussion only at this time.

Old Business: None

Comprehensive Plan: None

Park Updates, City Council Liaison Tom Rush:

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

Tom Rush noted that the Princeton Youth Baseball and Softball Association and the Zimmerman teams will coordinate with each other on using the ballfield at Young Park.

The Park Committee discussed adding a scoreboard to the Young Park ballfield.

Other Business:

Rosie Walker discussed honoring Lester Kriesel as a long-standing member of the Park Committee.

Mary Larson would like to discuss business signs being added to the ballfield at Young Park at the next Park Committee meeting on March 19, 2026.

The Park Committee discussed sending a Thank You letter to both Zac Good and Sarah Koste for their service on the Park Committee.

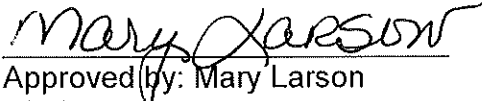
Rosie Walker made a motion to send a Thank You letter to Zac Good and Sarah Koste. Jackie Faddler seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Adjourn Meeting –

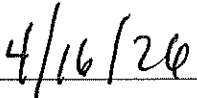
Mary Larson made a motion to adjourn the Park Committee meeting at 8:12 pm. Rosie Walker seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.



Submitted by: Kayla Nielsen
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer



Approved by: Mary Larson
Chair



Date

Attendees: None.