

MINUTES

PARKS & RECREATION

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2026, 4:30 P.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Members present: Chair Joel Ahrens, Debbie Sievert, and Tony O'Neill.

Others Attending: Mayor Katie Berman, Clerk-Treasurer Tammy Kasal, Parks & Recreation Director Lori Tonn, and Interim Public Works Director Teal Spellman-Cedar Corp.

Chair Ahrens called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

Motion by Sievert and seconded by O'Neill to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried 3/0.

Minutes:

Motion by O'Neill and seconded by Sievert to approve June 16, 2026, meeting minutes.

Motion carried 3/0.

Weed Harvester Recreational Boating Facilities Grant:

An email from Jessica Terrien from the Wisconsin DNR regarding the process for the Weed Harvester Recreational Boating Facilities Grant was reviewed (see attached). Quotes were reviewed for a weed harvester and equipment.

Motion by O'Neill and seconded by Sievert recommending Council approve the purchase of a weed harvester, conveyor, and trailer from Inland Lake Harvesters for up to \$281,700 to be funded from the CIP less any donations. Motion carried 3/0.

Badger Campground electrical update:

The Badger Campground electrical update project is expected to be over \$200,000. The formal bidding process will need to followed.

Motion by Ahrens and seconded by O'Neill to approve bidding out the Badger Campground electrical update project. Motion carried 3/0.

Badger Campground site pads and roads:

An estimate from Bergeson Excavating, LLC for \$18,500 for grading and resurfacing roads and campsites was reviewed. Three quotes are needed to follow City procurement guidelines. Further discussion and consideration will be held at the next meeting when additional quotes are received.

Badger Campground and Park and beach tree removal:

Frank's Logging estimate for \$10,800 to cut 51 trees with brush removal and stump grinding. Discussion was held. The City Public Works Department can complete the brush removal.

Motion by Ahrens and seconded by Sievert recommending Council approve the quote of \$8,300 from Frank's Logging of Peshtigo for the cutting and removal of 51 trees and stump grinding to be funded from 10-5612-0210 Forestry Professional Services. Motion carried 3/0.

Badger Park additional parking near bandshell:

Tonn requested to add an additional parking lot behind the pavilion along East Park Drive to accommodate better access to the pavilion and bandshell. Discussion was also held on possibly limiting the existing parking within the park to handicap only if an additional lot is added along East Park Drive. Director Tonn will obtain multiple quotes for further discussion at the next meeting.

Parks and Recreation Department time study:

A time study of the Parks & Recreation Department is being conducted to aid in considering departmental restructuring by placing the Parks Department under the Public Works Department.

Pavilion Rental agreement, policies and guidelines update:

Reviewed updated Pavilion Rental

Motion by Ahrens and seconded by O'Neill recommending Council approve the updated Badger Parks Pavilion Rental agreement, policies, and guidelines. Motion carried 3/0.

2027 Budget:

The budgeting will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Parks & Recreation update by Director Lori Tonn:

- A grass cutter has been hired.
- Trunk or treat will be held Saturday, October 10, 2026.
- Campground is full on weekends through middle of October.

Other matters: None

Set future meeting(s) and agenda items: The next Parks & Recreation meeting was scheduled for Monday, October 12, 2026 at 4:30 p.m.

Motion by Sievert and seconded by O'Neill to adjourn at 5:55 p.m. Motion carried 3/0.

Tammy Kasal
Clerk-Treasurer