



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Parks & Recreation Commission

Dean Veneman, Chairperson

Elizabeth Whelan, Vice Chairperson

Susan Faust

Jeff Marutz

Jeff Penzkover

Ron Rasmussen

Lee Thao

Julie Timm

Mayor Matt Zacher

Jake Klingforth

Dawn Desorcy

Notice is hereby given of a regular meeting of the Wisconsin Rapids Parks & Recreation Commission to be held in the 1st Floor Conference Room, 444 West Grand Avenue, Wisconsin Rapids, WI, on Monday, April 14, 2025, at 4 p.m. The meeting will also be streamed live on the City of Wisconsin Rapids Facebook page. This meeting is also available after its conclusion on the City's Facebook page and Community Media's YouTube page, which can be accessed at www.wr-cm.org.

1. Call to order.
2. Approve the March 10, 2025, meeting minutes.
3. Consider approval of Aquatics Center special events.
4. Consider approval of lights for Witter Field.
5. Update on zoo projects.
6. Bills.
7. Staff reports.
8. Adjourn.

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Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes

March 10, 2025

The Parks & Recreation Commission met on Monday, March 10, 2025, at 4 p.m. in the first floor conference room at City Hall, 444 West Grand Avenue, Wisconsin Rapids, WI.

1. Call to order.

Commission Chairman Veneman called the meeting to order at 4 p.m.

Commissioners in attendance were Susan Faust, Jeff Marutz, Jeff Penzkover, Ron Rasmussen, Lee Thao, Dean Veneman, and Elizabeth Whelan. Staff in attendance was Jake Klingforth. Alderperson Dennis Polach, Mary Callagan, and Barb Scanlan were also in attendance.

2. Approve the February 10, 2025, meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Whelan, seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen, to approve the minutes of February 10, 2025. Motion carried.

3. Update on zoo projects.

Playground was delivered; Helen's House has been dry-walled and painted. We have oak from trees we cut down, and we hope to work with LHS on completing the woodwork. The inside area of the river otter garage is complete. Bid work for construction of the outdoor portion should be done soon.

4. Bills.

A motion was made by Commissioner Thao, seconded by Commissioner Whelan, to approve the bills in the amount of \$20,674.74. Motion carried.

5. Staff reports.

Jake presented Parks and Recreation reports.

6. Adjourn.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Thao, seconded by Commissioner Penzkover. Motion carried.

Dawn Desorcy, Recording Secretary

2025 Aquatics Special Events

Thursday, June 12

Canned food collection day (donation to United Way sculpture event)

Thursday, June 19

Ahoy, shipmates! Join us at Witter Park for a day of swimming! Come dressed as your favorite pirate for A Pirate's Life Swim Day and get in for \$5. AARRG, be sure to mark your calendars! Dive for gold and show off your pirate garb in a parade around the pools! (Pirate props for staff)

Wednesday, July 9

Duck Race - pick a duck and see how quickly it can make its way around the current of the Leisure River. (Parks & Rec gift card prizes)

Friday, July 25

Christmas in July! Santa visit & Christmas music

Wednesday, July 30

Baseball & Softball Players Swim Day! T-Ball/Coach Pitch, WRYSA, or Middle School/High School! Wear your team hat and enter the Aquatics Center for only \$5!

Tuesday, August 12

Cardboard Regatta - can your boat make it across the Activity Pool? (Parks & Rec gift card prizes)

Dog Day

Date TBD

Rafters Promos - dates TBD (Certificate to get a free Rafters ticket with purchase of day pass for those 14 & under, max of 150 certificates. Also possible discounted day pass with Rafters ticket stub.)

Parks & Recreation Bills

April 14, 2025

Bill	Date	Detail	Amount
Ace Hardware	2/26/2025	Teske Funds	9.90
Ace Hardware	3/6/2025	Park Material	29.58
Ace Hardware	3/14/2025	Parks Dept	16.57
Ace Hardware	3/14/2025	Zoo Materials	17.99
Ace Hardware	3/17/2025	Tree Care Materials	20.21
Ace Hardware	3/20/2025	Tree Care	8.80
Ace Hardware	3/24/2025	Zoo Materials	3.99
Ace Hardware	4/7/2025	Aquatics	7.29
Advance Supply	4/10/2025	Zoo/Aquatics	152.39
Aldi	3/13/2025	Zoo	5.34
Aldi	3/13/2025	Zoo	3.81
Aldi	3/26/2025	Zoo	21.43
Amazon	2/25/2025	Aquatics Training/Cert	25.82
Amazon	3/5/2025	Rec Equipment (T-Ball Revenues)	412.90
Amazon	3/6/2025	Rec Materials	16.62
American Red Cross	3/18/2025	Aquatics Training/Cert	329.00
American Red Cross	3/18/2025	Aquatics Training/Cert	47.00
Badger Swimpools	3/10/2025	Teske Funds	361.68
Bauer's Floor Mart	2/14/2025	Teske Funds	467.48
Bauer's Floor Mart	3/31/2025	Teske Funds	233.74
Carrico Aquatic Resources	4/1/2025	Aquatics Chemicals	200.00
Crescent Electric	3/19/2025	Witter Field	259.09
Crescent Electric	3/24/2025	Teske Funds	394.64
E-Con Electric	2/28/2025	Teske Funds	6,783.00
Eden Brothers	3/25/2025	Park Material	44.77
Focus Poly Inc.	4/3/2025	Park Material	348.00
Grainger	3/26/2025	Teske Funds	114.94
Haas Builders Supply, Inc	2/24/2025	Teske Funds	140.00
Haas Builders Supply, Inc	2/24/2025	Teske Funds	1,700.73
Haas Tree Care, LLC	4/6/2025	Tree Care - Contract Payments	600.00
Holiday Wholesale	3/3/2025	Concessions Supplies	(372.48)
Home Depot	3/5/2025	Teske Funds	78.02
Home Depot	3/13/2025	Parks Dept	16.62
Home Depot	3/17/2025	Teske Funds	69.94
Home Depot	3/17/2025	Teske Funds	(17.88)
Home Depot	3/17/2025	Teske Funds	17.88
Home Depot	3/24/2025	Mead Field	320.05
Home Depot	4/4/2025	Park Material	62.54
Lambs Lock and Security LLC	3/10/2025	Zoo	115.00
Londerville	3/14/2025	Teske Funds	549.69
Lycon Inc.	3/9/2025	Teske Funds	594.65
Quality Plus Printing	3/19/2025	Aquatics Uniforms	39.00
Rapids Rental and Supply	3/24/2025	Tree Care	1,053.89
Reinders	3/25/2025	Teske Funds	862.49
Tom's Paint & Decorating	2/11/2025	Teske Funds	419.05
Tom's Paint & Decorating	2/18/2025	Teske Funds	99.90
Tractor Supply Co	3/25/2025	Teske Funds	87.78
Tractor Supply Co	3/25/2025	Teske Funds	89.57
Tractor Supply Co	3/27/2025	Teske Funds	18.13
TreeStuff	3/6/2025	Tree Care	136.69
Walmart	3/6/2025	Rec Materials	34.92
Walmart	3/18/2025	Rec Materials	38.87
Walmart	3/29/2025	Rec Materials	34.50
WebstaurantStore	3/19/2025	Teske Funds	320.88

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Williams Plumbing & Heating	3/5/2025	Teske Funds	1,235.89
WW&LC	2/28/2025	Teske Funds	3,678.53
Winsupply	12/16/2025	Teske Funds	885.48
Winsupply	2/20/2025	Teske Funds	79.30
Winsupply	3/19/2025	Mead Field	53.34
Winsupply	3/20/2025	Teske Funds	2,645.77
Winsupply	3/24/2025	Teske Funds	219.12
Wisconsin Rapids LHS Pool	3/1/2025	Rec Materials - Swim Club	903.36
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