



MINUTES OF THE PARKS COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2025, 5:00 PM

In person at City Hall, Room 207.

Virtual attendance is also available via Zoom.

A. ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION.

- I. Join Zoom Meeting Online:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84314784824?pwd=THBkd mRwTl k4MG5DV3h h bC9xVDhXdz09>

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B. ROLL CALL.

Present: Ald. Melinda Eck-Chair, Ald. Ben Delie-Vice Chair, Ald. Chris Wery, Ald. Joey Prestley

Others Present: Director Dan Ditscheit, Deputy Director James Andersen

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Joey Prestley to approve.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

E. REGULAR BUSINESS.

1. Consideration with possible action on the approval of a sponsorship agreement with Children's Hospital and Health System, Inc. for a donation of \$20,000 towards Kid's Day on June 25th, 2025.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve a sponsorship agreement with Children's Hospital and Health System, Inc. for a donation of \$20,000 towards Kid's Day on June 25th, 2025.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

2. Consideration with possible action on the approval of hiring NES Ecological Services to conduct a prairie burn at He-Nis-Ra Park.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve hiring NES Ecological Services to conduct a prairie burn at He-Nis-Ra Park, contingent on the Fire Department's review and approval of the burn plan.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

3. Consideration with possible action on the purchase of a 2025 New Holland L320 Skid Steer Loader from Gruett's Inc. for a total cost of \$51,500.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Chris Wery to approve the purchase of a 2025 New Holland L320 Skid Steer Loader from Gruett's Inc. for a total cost of \$51,500.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

F. INFORMATIONAL.

1. Director's Report on updates and recent activities of the Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to receive and place on file Director's Report on updates and recent activities of the Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

2. Next Meeting: May 14, 2025

G. ADJOURNMENT.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to adjourn.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.