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ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

**October 20, 2025
5:30 PM**

MINUTES

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair at **5:35 PM**.

Attendance

Present:

Eva Hansen, Mandy Giust, Megan Hauser, Dan Schultz, Landen Stevenson, Mitch Bearden, Nicole Kott, Mark Tongen

Absent:

David Hyder, Nate Webster

1. Public Comment

No public comments were offered.

2. Welcome / Announcements

General announcements were provided.

3. Minutes

It was noted that the Commission did not have a quorum at the **September 2025** meeting; therefore, no official business was conducted, and no minutes were available for approval.

4. Updates – Luke & Commission Members

a. Staff Professional Development Report

An update was provided.

b. FEMA Update

A general FEMA project report was given.

c. Ball Fields Update

- Noted the **Dick's Sporting Goods \$50,000 donation.**
- Update provided on **Dutch Fisher Field.**
- Additional field plans were discussed.

d. Master Plan Status

- The selected consulting company was announced.
- Next steps and the anticipated timeline were reviewed.
- Funding opportunities for future implementation were discussed.
- Steering committee will be established.

5. New Business

Request for Handicap Accessibility Improvements at Kiwanis Playground – Nicole

The Commission received an initial request for accessibility improvements at the Kiwanis Playground and discussed next steps.

6. Old Business

a. Status of Request for Handicap Accessibility Improvements – Kiwanis Playground

A follow-up was provided.

b. Parks & Recreation Strategic Plan

General discussion continued.

c. Rec Jam 25th Anniversary Celebration Close-Out

Items reviewed included:

- Final financial summary
- Recommendation regarding allocation of disc golf competitor fees to Kiwanis
- After-action feedback
- Recommendation for Rec Jam 26 – A motion was made by Dan, seconded by Nicole to plan and look for an event manager for next year's event. The motion carried unanimously
- Display wall plans

7. Other Business

Updates were provided on the following:

- East Street Park
- Boy Scout Troop partnership
- SOAR volunteers
- Cabin & storage shed repairs
- Basketball court goals & fencing
- Calendar of events for October–December

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at **7:04 PM**.

Chair's Signature: *Eva Hansen* Eva Hansen

Respectfully Submitted,

Eva Hansen, Chairman