

Parks and Lands Board Meeting Minutes

Date: April 28, 2026

Call to Order

Chair Bob Wiederrick called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

Attendance

Committee Members Present: Bob Wiederrick, Dave Fluetsch, Penny Thayer, Bryan Brennan

Staff Present: Amy Bain

Public: Steven Gaylord

Approval of Previous Minutes

Edits needed to fix March minutes: Remove Bob and add Lamar. Add Hop Porter sign discussion.

Motion: Dave moved to approve the March 2026 meeting minutes with edits. Second: Bob. Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

Sunbeam:

Amy notified the group that the new playground equipment would be installed at Sunbeam phase 2, instead of Curtis. Ed Dumke had agreed to include it during the construction of the rest of the new park. Bob let the group know that he had talked with Ed about it and Kiwanis approves.

The board brought up their concern over lack of parking at Sunbeam with the addition of the new park and subdivision. They also would like to have several seating areas included in the park.

Lions:

Bob brought up that Kiwanis is discussing new projects, and would like to determine if building new fencing for the baseball field would be a good direction.

Hop Porter:

Amy let the board know that 5-6 new shade trees were going to be planted in the park during the Bullion Pathway project. She showed them the master plan designs and how the new trees would fit with the master plan as well as be a benefit now.

General:

Amy asked the board about their thoughts on adding a no stakes rule to the parks policies. There have been several pop up volleyball nets being used in the park and a couple of times they are hitting the irrigation lines, causing damage. The board likes the idea, but wonders how it will be monitored.

They would like to have copies of any parks policies and master plans, as well as, more information of parks budgeting and how projects fit into it.

Bob asked what it would take to get the middle section at the Skatepark filled in.

Arena:

The board has been tasked with discussing the renaming of the Werthheimer Arena to Ted Uhrig Arena. The request was brought to the city from the Uhrig Family. Penny confirmed the Uhrig's have been instrumental in the valley but feels there should be more information given and more time for public comment. The other members agreed.

Penny made a motion to table any recommendations until the public had more time to comment. Bob seconded the motion; all in favor.

Discussion topics for the April meeting:

Skatepark updates, Lions Park fence, Arena renaming

Next Meeting will be May 26 , 2026 at 4:30 pm

Adjournment Chair Bob Wiederrick adjourned the meeting at 7:06 PM.