

Parks and Lands Board Meeting Minutes

Date: July 23, 2025

Called to Order: 6:00 PM

Committee Members Present: Bob Wiederrick, Lamar Waters, Darin Sales

Staff Present: Amy Bain

New Business

Approval of the June 2025 meeting minutes was postponed until the next meeting.

Park signs discussion

The board looked at a couple more sign style ideas. Amy will go to Windy City Signs to find out more about the Ketchum Skatepark signage.

Skate Park

Bob reported that he placed temporary wooden blocks at the park to provide flexible seating options. The additional patio space has already been marked and will be completed soon. The Board also discussed relocating the trash can along the fence line to the corner of the Campion building. In addition, members considered the possibility of removing or heavily pruning trees in the interior section to improve visibility and safety for park users. Shade structures were also discussed, the skaters seem to have a preference for shade over the raised half-circle area. The Board agreed that this would be the most appropriate location for shade installation, and walked out a couple of different ideas on placement.

Other topics

Amy had the board members sign the card for Jim Savage that they agreed to give him at the last meeting, and will give it to him this week.

Bob suggested that the Board take a look at the Pavilion at Heagle Park during the August meeting, noting that updating the pavilion could be a valuable project goal for 2026. Members agreed to meet at Heagle Park for the next meeting

Amy also updated the Board on swing set installations at Curtis and Cutters Parks, which are scheduled for August, though specific dates have not yet been determined.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, August 27, 2025 at Heagle Park at 6 PM

Meeting Adjourned: 7:10 PM