



Parks & Recreation Commission

May 7, 2026

1. Call to order

Chair Richard Grudin called the Thursday, May 7, 2026, Regular Session of the North Liberty Parks & Recreation Commission to order at 7:07 p.m. in Council Chambers at 360 N. Main Street.

Board Members Present: Nick Arnold, Richard Grudin, Gwen Johnson, Kevin Smith

Board Members Absent: Donglin Chen, Shannon Greene, Jeremy Parrish

Staff present: Guy Goldsmith, Tim Hamer, Shelly Simpson, Brian Motley

2. Approval of Minutes

The April 2, 2026 Park & Rec Meeting minutes were reviewed. Upon motion made by Gwen Johnson, seconded by Nick Arnold, and unanimously carried, the minutes were approved.

A. Approve minutes from April 2, 2026 meeting

3. Public Comments

Public can address board: State name, address and inquiry subject.

No public comment was received.

4. NLCC Playground Options

Three Playground Options were presented, discussion followed.

Board members present preferred Option 1 as top choice with music and play features.

Guy Goldsmith to proceed with purchase order.

A. Option 1

B. Option 2

C. Option 3

5. Board Openings

Two board openings are coming up at the end of June. Re-apply and new applications accepted thru City Hall by May 14, 2026.

Richard stated he was not going to renew and stated it was time to get others the opportunity to apply.

A. Two Positions up for renewal; Richard Grudin and Shannon Greene; applications due to City Administration by May 14

6. Reports

A. Parks

Guy Goldsmith presented his monthly report and answered questions.

B. Recreation

Shelly Simpson presented report and answered questions.

7. Upcoming Events

Shelly mentioned upcoming event dates and stated that due to outdoor pool concrete work, re-caulking and re-painting, not opening on Memorial Day Weekend and yet to be determined.

- A. Remarkable Rigs - May 9
- B. Playground Crawl - May 16
- C. Outdoor Pool Opening - TBD

8. Community Input / New Ideas to Share

No community input/ new ideas were shared.

9. Old Business

No old business was presented.

10. Next Meeting

Next meeting scheduled for June 4, 2026

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11. Adjournment

Gwen Johnson moved; Nick Arnold seconded to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. The vote was all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

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By: _____
Shelly Simpson, Recreation Director