



**Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2025**

Present: Brian Motley, Tim Hamer, Guy Goldsmith, Richard Grugin, Shannon Greene, Kevin Smith, Donglin Chai, Nicholas Arnold, Jeremy Parrish

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson-elect Grugin. A quorum was present.

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve September 4, 2025 minutes: Smith; Second: Arnold. Approved unanimously.

3. Board appointments

- Chairperson: Grugin elected by unanimous consent.
- Vice Chairperson: Greene elected by unanimous consent.
- Secretary: Chai appointed.

The Commission discussed exploring AI tools to assist with meeting documentation. Staff will check with Communications for feasibility and data handling procedures.

4. Reports

Parks Report – Guy Goldsmith

Goldsmith referenced his written report. Highlights include:

- Completion of Quail Ridge Park playground and Daniel Park rubber surfacing repairs.
- Grading, seeding, and irrigation work ongoing at Centennial Center.
- Retaining wall construction completed at the Fire Department training area.
- Trail along North Liberty Road completed; grand opening planned.
- Discussion included splash pad design, irrigation maintenance, and avian flu awareness.

Recreation/Pool Report – Brian Motley

Motley reported steady participation in sports leagues and noted gym space limitations.

- Recent events: Iowa-Iowa State watch party, Movie on the Plaza, Welcoming Week.
- Pool closed for the season; concrete repairs scheduled.
- Discussion on parking concerns and staggered game start times at Coralville facility.

5. Questions, Concerns, Updates

6. Community Input / Ideas to Share

7. Upcoming Events

- Healthy Aging Fair
- Bark and Biscuit Event
- Halloween Trail

8. Next Meeting

Thursday, November 6, 2025.

9. Adjourn

Motion: Greene; Second: Arnold. None opposed. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.