

**CITY OF WACONIA
SEPTEMBER 18, 2025**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the Regular Meeting of the Waconia Parks & Recreation Board in the City Council Chambers was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Shaw.

Park Board Members Present: Lacey Shaw, Lucas Reiners, Leah Soltis, Tom Adamini

Park Board Members Absent: Tami Peterson and Ben Strasheim

Council Liaison: None

Staff Present: Shane Fineran

Guests: None

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to Approve made by Park Board Member Adamini, seconded by Park Board Member Soltis.

MOTION CARRIED.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1) Approve the August 21, 2025, Park Board Meeting Minutes

Motion to Approve made by Park Board Member Adamini, seconded by Park Board Member Reiners.

MOTION CARRIED.

4. REGULAR BUSINESS

1) 2026 Capital Improvements - Island View Estates Park & Pinehill Park

Park Project Update – Pine Hill & Island View Estates

Shane reported that after reviewing the budgets and options, funds from Pine Hill can be reallocated to Island View Estates to help both parks meet the board's goals.

- Pine Hill Park will have a budget of \$112,000, which will include:
 - Shade structure
 - Swing bank
 - Basketball court
 - 2–5 year-old children's play structure (the same age group currently served)

Since there are several nearby parks with trails leading to them, the board discussed whether Pine Hill's setup best fits the neighborhood's age group.

- Island View Estates Park will have a budget of \$340,000, allowing for more amenities that serve a wider range of age groups.

With these adjustments, both parks can be fully completed within budget.

The board is in agreement with this plan.

Shane gathered feedback on Pine Hill Park and the members of the board were all in agreement to move forward.

They will host an open house with Island View Estates homeowners on October 13, 2025, from 6:00–7:00 p.m.

5. STAFF PARK ITEMS UPDATE

Public Services Update

Mike reported on recent projects completed last week in preparation for Nickle Dickle Day and other community improvements:

- Cleaned up native grasses around town.
- Donated 100 trees to the Waconia High School Conservation Club for planting.
- Worked on repairing the trail along County Road 10 by Highway 284.
- Repaired a broken backstop at Brook Peterson Park.
- Replaced ag lime on the fields at Brook Peterson.

6. BOARD UPDATES & QUESTIONS

Shaw shared that she had out-of-town guests visiting over the weekend. One guest commented on how pleasant and welcoming the city staff were while interacting with people, and they thought it was a great reflection of the community.

7. ADJOURN

Adjourn 7:00pm

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Lacey Shaw, Chair

ATTEST: _____
Brenda Jurek, Administrative Specialist