

Park Board Meeting Minutes September 15, 2025

The September 15, 2025, Cascade Park Board meeting was called to order by Chairman Rausch at 5:00 p.m. at the Cascade City Hall with Orr, Rausch, McLees, Manternach and Hailey Rausch answering roll.

Motion Manternach, second Hailey to approve the agenda – all ayes, motion carried.

No public comments.

Motion McLees, second Orr to approve the meeting minutes from August 11 and September 2, 2025 - all ayes, motion carried.

Motion Hailey, second McLees to approve the July 2025 financials – all ayes, motion carried.

The Board discussed purchasing trash cans for Oak Hill Park like the ones at the Community Park. There is a price savings if 3 are purchased. We need 2 at Oak Hill Park and a third may be needed in the future or at a different park. Motion Manternach, second Hailey to purchase 3 trash cans; 2 for Oak Hill Park and 1 when needed – all ayes, motion carried.

The Board discussed purchasing an ADA accessible picnic table for the pavilion at Riverview Park. During the discussion, it was noted we should purchase 2; one for Riverview Park and one for Oak Hill Park. The table will match closely to the existing tables at Riverview Park. Motion Hailey, second Manternach to purchase 2 ADA accessible tables from Heritage Lighting; one for Riverview Park and one for Oak Hill Park – all ayes, motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Oak Hill survey results that have been received so far. The top amenities that people want to see added to the park include bathrooms, a walking trail to 1st Ave, splash pad and park pavilion. Other things that people would like to see included are benches and more seating, parking, baseball/softball field and water fountains. We are going to extend the timeframe for people to complete the survey till October 2nd. We are placing it in the paper so hopefully we will reach a larger variety of people.

The City Administrator provided a report to the board which included the following: Mike Gehl got rid of the mushrooms at Oak Hill Park, a portable restroom was placed at New City Park since the restrooms were closed due to no electricity, and WIFI was installed at Oak Hill Park. Also, a tree was planted at New City Park donated by Larry Cigrand for the Strang Family, a memorial bench for Delaney Kremer was placed at Oak Hill Park, a new bench has been placed at the shelter at the trailhead for the Coohey Trail by Blair and Donna Gleason.

The pickleball courts look wonderful and they are a good addition to Oak Hill Park and to the community. Also, the pickleball committee had a flag and flagpole donated. The committee is wondering if the Park Board has any thoughts on the placement. The pickleball committee will be contacted and asked to provide their recommended location and let the Park Board know and they will review.

Motion Hailey, second Orr to adjourn the Park Board meeting at 5:34 p.m. – all ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by
Deanna McCusker, City Administrator