HARLAN PARKS & RECREATION BOARD – November 10, 2026

The Harlan Parks & Recreation Board met on Tuesday, November 10, 2026, at 12:04 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.
Present: Nic Christensen, Todd Berndt, Scott Petersen, Jeff Moser, Ladonna Havick
Present Electronically: Troy Schaben
Absent: Jenney Kelly
Also Present: Tim Miller, Ashley Schleis, Gervas Mgonja, Maya Kenkel, Joe Rueschenberg, Justin Harper

The meeting was called to order by Berndt. It was moved by Havick and seconded by Christensen to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Any conflicts of interest are to be stated when applicable. None.

It was moved by Moser and seconded by Petersen to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2026, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Disc Golf Course Naming – Justin Harper was present to discuss course statistics from the mobile application that show the popularity of the course.

It was moved by Havick and seconded by Moser to recommend to Council to accept the Pioneer Park Disc Golf Course Naming Rights Agreement with course name Cudd Memorial Disc Golf Course.

Disc Golf Course Signage — one large sign and tee signs – Justin provided the tee signs for viewing—all tee signs are ready. The size of the course map sign was discussed. It will be a two foot by three foot (2'x3') secondary sign to the Pioneer Park map sign. The large sign will be ready a few weeks after approval.

It was moved by Petersen and seconded by Christensen to recommend to Council to approve the 2'x3' Cudd Memorial Disc Golf Course map sign and the eighteen tee signs.

Superintendent Report – updates provided by Tim Miller

- Winterizing is complete.
- JJ Jensen water line project is complete. Alpha & Omega finished and concrete has been poured. There is cleanup.
- Still working with the manufacturer on the pool lights—will be in contact on Thursday. The motion sensors are not working properly.
- Trees for planting are delivered and at their locations. Some trees were planted this morning with half left to plant today. The rest of the River Access trees will be planted later. Should be done by the EOD.
- Budget for the next fiscal year has been turned into Schleis. Miller noted that the major usage fluctuation from year to year of the buildings/grounds/maintenance fund is normal—the LOST money covers any difference in the budgeted amounts.

Monthly Financials – Pool & Parks (Information Only) – It was discussed how the pool season is always split between two fiscal years after Moser inquired about the remaining pool budget amount.

River Access – The boat ramp is sprayed off and clean. The remaining trees will be planted after the dirt work and seeding is done. IDOT is doing that today, so they should be done this week. There will now be drainage ditch matting—change order expected.

Parks Planning Document (Update & Discussion) – Completed: disc golf and tree replanting. Signage still needed at Jaycee Park (1) and Monogram Foods JJ Jensen Ball Park (2).

Grants Overview & Update – NEW

a) Iowa West Foundation – 3 cycles per year; Letter of inquiry period January, May, and Sept 1st; Application Due January, May, and **Sept 15th**) – Not eligible for Dream Playground
b) Monogram Grant – May 31, 2026 (Basketball Goals) – Not eligible this time around.
c) IPRA Mini Grant – Due end of January ($1,000)
d) Community Foundations of Southwest Iowa – Received $5,000.00 for shade structures at Monogram Foods JJ Jensen Ball Park

Other Business: Pool opening and closing rates and dates will be determined at the next meeting.
The Board and City personnel brainstormed possible projects. Biggest needs are lights and backstop nets at Monogram Foods JJ Jensen Ball Park. The batting cages need new nets. A pool heater, mini golf course, and replacing basketball hoops were discussed.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 1, 2026, at noon in the Council Chambers.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Maya Kenkel

Maya Kenkel, Recording Secretary

These minutes are subject to Board approval at the next regular meeting.