

Shenandoah Park & Recreation Board

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Date: October 8, 2026

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Chair Shelly called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present:

- Shelly Anderson
- Kevin Olson
- Nancy Maher
- Cheryl Mulligan
- Alissa McGinnis
- Jeff Baker

Board Members Absent:

- None

Council Members

- Kim Swank
- Jeff Capps

Members of the Public:

- None

Opening and Agenda

- Nancy shared Dick Hunt's thanks to the board for naming the Richard N Hunt Activity Center.
- Nancy requested that future agendas list specific park and golf course topics.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion: Approve previous meeting minutes.

Moved by: Jeff Baker

Seconded by: Alissa McGinnis

Motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Approve the September 2, 2026 meeting agenda.

Moved by: Alissa McGinnis

Seconded by: Jeff Baker

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Park Updates

Waubonsie Park

- Kevin is working with the project designer on a lower-cost proposal focused on priority improvements.

McComb Park

- Storm-damaged trees are awaiting removal.

Priest Park

- Replacement teeter-totter handles were ordered at no charge.
- Members discussed the damaged playground tile and heat from the black surface.

Gottsch Park

- Playground work, the accessible path, landscaping, and reseeding are nearing completion.
- Kevin discussed a possible gazebo rebuild with the Rotary Club and Garden Club.

Bogart's Park

- The Rotary Club plans to support restoration and re-sodding of the Veterans Memorial area.

Sportsman's Park

- Field repairs and reseeding are underway.
- A granite bench in memory of Rosie Stark is planned near the depot.

Golf Course Update

- Greens aerification was completed using a knifing method.
- New tee signs and a sponsorship program are underway.
- Plans include redoing existing tee boxes.
- Members also discussed restroom doors and patio furniture.

Pool Update

- The pool has been drained and winterized.

Hunt Activity Center

- The batting cage project is complete, and turf installation is expected soon.

Fitness Center

- Foster Upholstery will reupholster five pieces of equipment, beginning with the leg machine.
- Nancy shared a letter Greg Stark gave her from Mike Laughlin supporting naming the center after Rosie Stark for future discussion.

Recreation Update

- Upcoming flag football and fall soccer activities were reviewed.
- For Can Play, the group still needs to form an organizing team and choose an initial activity.
- Cheryl requested information about the Can Play program.

Vision Shenandoah Update

- No new updates

Safe Walk to School

- Kevin reported that solar lighting appears to be a leading option and will bring back options and supporting details.
- The board did not make a final decision.

NEW BUSINESS

Board and City Matters

- Cheryl raised the Park Board ordinance for review.
- Members discussed board elections, terms, reporting, and the need to share information about upcoming vacancies.
- Nancy raised concerns about the city website and access to agendas and minutes.

Action Items

- Kevin: Include specific park and golf course topics on future agendas.
- Kevin: Bring back Safe Walk lighting options and supporting details.
- Cheryl: Review information about the Can Play program.
- Kevin and Cheryl: Discuss forming the Can Play organizing team and choosing an initial activity.

Items for future agenda

- Naming the fitness center after Rosie Stark
- Discussion of Park Board ordinance

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at **6:04 p.m.**