

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**  
**4:00 p.m. | May 14, 2025**  
**Parks Tour | Minutes**

**Attendance:** Council Member Tyler Agniel, Council Member Cole Robinson, Greg Bortnick, Matt Geary, David Gleason, Diane Mares, Matthew Moder, Andrew Mohn, Jay Moorman, Caety Meyer, Staff: Meghan Boom, James Carney, Melissa Prenger

**Reports**

1. Chairperson's Report—Tyler Agniel welcomed committee members to the meeting. The committee will visit Franklin Park, Bennett Park, Porter Park, and Taliaferro Park to review completed and upcoming projects.
2. Minutes from April 9, 2025 – Jay Moorman moved to approve the minutes. Andrew Mohn seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
3. Franklin Park  
Melissa Prenger provided background on the Hollub Memorial Rose Garden located in Franklin Park. The garden was established in the 1980s and is no longer funded through donations. Public Works has been paying for the contractor since 2022 when the funding ran out and family members could not be found. The location of the garden is tentatively being considered for a historical marker in the park which would impact the placement of the garden. Andrew Moen moved to approve the removal of the rose garden. Jay Moorman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
4. Taliaferro Park  
At the April meeting, a resident requested installation of a soccer goal at Taliaferro Park for casual play. The committee reviewed the open space at the park and discussed the current use. Andrew Moen moved to decline the request for a goal. The motion was seconded by Matt Geary and it passed unanimously.
5. Bennett Park  
Ms. Prenger outlined upcoming work at Bennett Park to include new benches and picnic tables, a new shelter in the same location, and new playground equipment.
6. Porter Park  
The committee reviewed potential locations for the installation of a panel by the Diversity Committee. Committee members found all proposed locations to be acceptable, and agreed that the Diversity Committee could make the final decision on location within the park.

**Information Items**

*Meeting Schedule*

September 10, 2025

October 8, 2025

November 12, 2025

**Adjournment**