



**MINUTES OF THE PARK ADVISORY BOARD  
HJEMKOMST CENTER AUDITORIUM - 202 1ST AVE N.  
February 26, 2026 - 4:00 PM**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Roll call of the members was made as follows:

Present (6): Alexander Aldrich, David Marquardt, Robert Ross, Erin Gillam, Brian Haugen, Emily Moore

Present Not Voting (0):

Absent (1): Mitch Havig

2. Recognitions/Presentation

A. City of Moorhead - 150 Years

B. Rushelle Flaten - Office Specialist

3. Agenda Amendments

4. Approval of Minutes

A. August 28, 2025

5. Citizens To Be Heard

6. Business

A. Reclassification of Romkey Park

Recreation Director Sean Brandenburg provides an update on the Reimagine Romkey Project. With the new project coming to completion this summer, Parks and Recreation is looking to reclassify the park from a neighborhood park to a community park with all the added amenities.

Motion to Approve made by Erin Gillam and seconded by Brian Haugen.

For 4: Alexander Aldrich, David Marquardt, Robert Ross, Emily Moore

Against 0: None

Abstain/Recuse 0: None

**Motion**

B. Update on Elements Asset Management System

Public Works Director Paul Fiechtner provides an update on our Elements XS System. The Novotx Company highlighted the City of Moorhead in a recent video.

C. Update on Clay County MPCA – Projects

Forrest Steinhoff provides an update on the Clay County Public Health funding. Through the survey, they had about 102 responses online stating which project they prefer. Forrest discussed options for projects to utilize this funding.

Option 1: Arbor Day Tree Planting, Estimated Cost: \$14,574

- Option 2: River Corridor Amenities, Estimated Cost: \$11,215
- Option 3: River Corridor Pollinator, Estimated Cost: \$17,600
- Option 4: Bluestem Bridge Trail Lighting, Estimated Cost: \$25,600
- Option 5: Cross Walk Painting Around Moorhead Area Public Schools, \$80,100

## 7. Information/Update

### A. Woodlawn Park Disc Golf Course Update

Park Maintenance Manager Derek Boman provides an update on the new Woodlawn Park Disc Golf Course. Temporary signs are placed in the park currently. Permanent signs are to come this spring.

The old baskets will be reused in our neighborhood parks, but the Parks Advisory Board are welcome to provide suggested ideas for reusing these baskets.

- B. Grant Closure/Completion
  - i. Age Friendly MN Grant – Pickleball Conversions
  - ii. MPCA Climate Action – 10 Acres Native Grasses

Public Works Director, Paul Fiechtner, provides an update regarding the Age-Friendly MN Grant - Pickleball Conversions and the MPCA Climate Action - 10 Acres Native Grasses.

- C. Mary's Tunnel / Skating Ribbon
- D. Golf Course Updates
- E. M.B. Johnson Park Trailhead Sign
- F. Park Maintenance Training Update
- G. Program Summaries
- H. Essentia Walking Trail

## 8. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn made by Robert Ross and seconded by Erin Gillam.  
For 4: Alexander Aldrich, David Marquardt, Brian Haugen, Emily Moore  
Against 0: None  
Abstain/Recuse 0: None

**Motion**