

City of Spring Lake Park
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

The minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting of Sept 5, 2023
Location: SLP City Hall

1. **Call to Order - Meeting called to order 6:03 pm by Vice-Chair Olsen**
2. **Roll Call.**
Members present: Harlan, Lammers, Olson, Parsons, Yawn
Members absent: Hoard
Council/Staff present: Director Okey, Councilmember Wendling
Council/Staff absent:
3. **Approval of Minutes.** Minutes from the May meeting were approved as submitted.
4. **Discussion from the Floor –**
 1. Triangle Park update-fencing will remain for one growing season. Contracted with Prairie Restoration for 3 years.
5. **Commission Member Reports – none**
6. **Council Commissioner's Report** Wendling reported that the City Council passed roadwork by Triangle park, meeting with patrolmen re: contract, SRO contract rescinded
7. **Unfinished Business**
 1. Hockey boards at Terrace Park – Needing repair before winter. Suggested removing and reconfiguring to accommodate pickleball courts.
8. **New Business**
 1. Surveys – for rink usage at Terrace Park and general usage at Westwood Park. Staff will work on questions and posting of QR code to access survey.
9. **Directors Report:**
 1. Program Updates-Review summer programs
 1. Softball update – 356 participants in both youth and adult, down from 426 in 2022.
 2. Playground program update – Staff liked new building, participation numbers were steady all summer. Closed a day early due to staffing shortage
 2. Fall Family Fest–Saturday, October 28 1:00-4:00pm – Replaces Turkey shoot and Recreation involvement with Trunk or Treat
 3. Able Park Building updates and rental report- 5 rentals during August
 4. Triangle Park donation – bench and tree
 5. Rock Garden at Lakeside update – garden is set up with rocks.

Adjourned at 6:53 pm

Next meeting Tuesday, Oct 3, 6:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by *Chris Lammers*