

Rogers Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes
March 19th, 2025
Noon at Rogers City Hall
301 West Chestnut St.

ROLL CALL:

Greg Lindley, Betty Evans, Mendy Fisher, Christian Saavedra, Ryan Neal

ACTION ON MINUTES:

Motion by Evans to approve February minutes as presented, second by Fisher. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote

PUBLIC FORUM:

No comments

REPORTS:

David Hook:

- Theater roof bids in. Still working on the interior design aspects.
- NWP update: 2/3 of the Musco lights have been installed, with the remaining lights to be installed later this week. Over half of the turf has been removed from fields, and that process will be completed this week. Bids for remaining projects are expected to open around April 15th.
- Concrete trails, fencing and retaining walls around town are being bid, with repairs starting soon.
- Currently gathering pricing for drainage issues under tennis and pickleball courts at Hebron.

Lance Jobe:

- 8th street tunnel still on track to be open by the first of May.
- Trail from JB Hunt & Greenway update: working with the developer to move forward and get that built.

Kent Laughlin:

- Poplar street update: Contractors working to complete most of the concrete work from 1st to 2nd Street by end of next week.
- Bike lane striping to make the connection to the Poplar street improvements east of 8th Street.
- Most punch list items on the 13th Street trail have been addressed.
- Budget in place to make trail connections from Olive St to Walmart Supercenter and library.
- Closure on Railyard loop near blossom way will take place the beginning of next week and will last 2-3 days as Geotech contractors are pouring for sound walls.

Quinton Harris:

- Spring soccer kicks off this weekend.
- Basketball wrapping up, with over 750 participants this spring, approximately 300 games with just under 1,400 practices.

Kara King:

- Trail counts: No major updates.
- Event update:
 - 3/20:** Garden Club of Rogers tree planting at 3 different locations (Cambridge, Tower and Library).
 - 4/12:** Tree giveaway with sign-ups beginning 3/31 at 8:00 AM.
 - 4/26:** Earth Day Celebration at Lake Atalanta 9:00 AM to 12: 00 PM.
 - 5/2:** Ten-year anniversary of the Greenway grand opening.
 - 5/3:** Square to Square event.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Shawn Grindstaff:

- Call for artists to create artwork on the tunnel project.
- **Conservation updates:**
 - The north area of Horsebarn, from the bridge to the edge of city limits, will include native vegetation planting.
 - Prairie at Mt Hebron is in progress.
 - Pinnacle Open Space is being assessed to determine suitable plantings.
 - Cambridge conservation corridor in being assessed, with planting expected between April and June.
- Railyard Live has announced 44 shows for the upcoming season.
- Banff Film Festival will take place at Prairie View Center 3/28 & 3/29.

ADJOURN:

The meeting was adjourned by Saavedra at 12:19 PM.