

Parks and Recreation Board

Work Session Minutes

City of Huber Heights

August 21, 2025

I. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Casey Taylor called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30pm.

II. Roll Call

Present at the meeting: Rachael Aikens, Alex Black, Bryan Detty, Andy Hill, Dennis Snider,
Casey Taylor.

Members Absent: Justus Bonnoront, Richard Moore, Ron Eifert.

Staff Present: Sarah Forsythe, City of Huber Heights. Chris Lindeman, YMCA.

III. Opening Remarks

None.

IV. Citizen's Comments

Parks and Recreation summer intern, Hannah Fea shared research collected about the
Bradford Pear Tree population in Huber Heights and asked for Board support to remove the
trees on public grounds.

The Board voted to support this project. Mr. Hill motioned; Mr. Black seconded. All in favor.

V. Old Business

- a. **YMCA Update** – Mr. Lindeman shared updates about the Kroger Aquatic Center, Splash Pad operations, Basketball Camps, and upcoming fall sports leagues.
- b. **City Update** – Ms. Forsythe introduced new Events and Program Coordinator, Molly Gross. Ms. Forsythe shared about upcoming fall/winter programs and marketing. Designs for the CDBG playground improvements were shared. The Cloud Park Master Plan presentation to council was shared with the Board for feedback. Feedback was largely positive, and concerns over losing a couple fields for the Warrior Classic soccer tournament were shared.
- c. **Cost Recovery Policy**- Cost recovery policy was reviewed and reaffirmed by the Board.

VI. New Business

- a. **2026 Program Discussion**
 - i. The Board Discussed the Tree/Plant Giveaway and wishes to continue that for the future.
 - ii. Pickleball tournaments will also continue in 2026.
 - iii. The board will not host the “Field Day” event.
 - iv. The Board would like the Little Mermen to return. The board would like to look into the possibility of moving rained-out concerts inside somewhere.

v. The Heritage Tree Program will continue in 2026.

vi. The Board would like to add Park Clean-ups and a Skate/Bike event at

Monita Field.

b. Fall and Winter Volunteers

i. A signed-up sheet was passed around.

VII. Additional Business and Announcements - None

VIII. Approval of Minutes – Minutes Approved. Mr. Hill motioned; Ms. Aikens seconded. All in favor.

IX. Upcoming Meetings – Sept. 18th.

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned -7:46 pm.



9/18/25

Chris Lindemann, Executive Director, YMCA at the Heights.



Cary Taylor, Parks & Recreation Board Chair

