

**PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION
CITY OF RAMSEY
ANOKA COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

The Ramsey Park and Recreation Commission conducted a regular meeting on February 12, 2026, at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

Commission Members Present: Chair Megan Ealain
 Vice Chair Nathan Barten
 Commissioner Todd Arts
 Commissioner Dean Olson

Commission Members Absent: Commissioner Shane Bennett
 Commissioner Garth Anderson

Also Present: City Council Liaison Eric Peters
 Recreation Coordinator Abby Proulx

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ealain called the Park and Recreation Commission meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. CITIZEN INPUT

None.

3. APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Barten, seconded by Commissioner Arts, to approve the Park and Recreation Commission meeting agenda as presented.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Ealain; Commissioners Barten, Arts, and Olson. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioners Anderson and Bennett.

4. APPROVE MINUTES

4.01: Approve Park and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Barten, seconded by Commissioner Arts, to approve the following Park and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes:

- Park and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes dated January 9, 2026

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Ealain; Commissioners Barten, Arts, and Olson. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioners Anderson and Bennett.

5. COMMISSION BUSINESS

5.01: 2025 Photo Contest Review

Recreation Coordinator Proulx provided background information on the photo contest, which began in 2017, noting that the photos are used in different ways, including the website, park kiosks, *Ramsey Resident*, and the puzzles used for the puzzle contest. She reviewed the submissions and winners for each category.

Commissioner Barten commented that it was great to see some new people participating.

Motion by Commissioner Barten, seconded by Commissioner Olson, to affirm the 2025 Photo Contest winners.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Ealain; Commissioners Barten, Olson, and Arts. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioners Anderson and Bennett.

6. COMMISSION/STAFF INPUT

6.01: Recreation Program Updates

Recreation Coordinator Proulx highlighted upcoming programming opportunities and events.

Commissioner Barten thanked staff for the work to plan for the farmers' market, noting that many people are excited for that in addition to all the other programming opportunities. He referenced the placards at Alpine Park, noting that they are wearing out. He also welcomed Councilmember Peters.

Chair Ealain also welcomed Councilmember Peters.

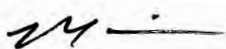
7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Barten, seconded by Commissioner Arts, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Ealain; Commissioners Barten, Arts, and Olson. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioners Anderson and Bennett.

The Park and Recreation Commission meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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