

**GRATIOT COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

**February 18, 2026 @ 5:30 PM
3181 E. Johnson Rd. Reed Park**

Commission Member Present: Jerry Lewis, Matt Ahearn, Derek Hessbrook, Tim Lambrecht, Lyle McCoon, David Justin, Jennifer Wing

Commission Members Absent: Sam Smith, Steve Sopocy, Karla Childers

Others Present: Jon Rayburn

1. **Introductions and Welcome by the Chairman:** Meeting started
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Done
3. **Declaration of a Quorum:** Quorum was declared with 8 members present
4. **Review and Approval of Agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda was made by David Justin, seconded by Lyle McCoon. Approved by all present, motion passed.
5. **Review, Correction, and Approval of Last Meeting Minutes:** Correction per Lyle: "Reed" instead of "Red". A motion with correction to approve January 19, 2026 minutes as presented, was made by David Justin, seconded by Jerry Lewis. Approved by all present, motion passed.
6. **Public Comment:** None
7. **Financial Report/Bill Review:** No issues nor questions
8. **Director's Report**
 - Reed update – new ballfield benches completed; tree takedowns and trimming weather permitting; replacing 9 disk course pole signs.
 - Hubscher update – couple benches to be replaced
 - Pompeii update - None
 - Luneack update - None
9. **Old Business**
 - Splash Pad – Pentura is well-known manufacturer, but not installer (needs to be contracted out); Re-circulating systems most expensive, hard to maintain; Eric / Greg (Alma leadership) had questions with water/electricity usage/cost with Tim prior to meeting (further analysis needed)
 - Security Cameras- best option Arlo Cameras, run off cellular; Clinton County likes them per Jon; Motion by Derek Hessbrook, seconded by Jennifer Wing to order 6 cams. Approved by all present, motion passed.

- Park Entrance Signs- updated \$ w/ 5-year warranty added; 8-week window to get installed; Sam offline w/ Tim suggested we wait on ordering new signs, perhaps start with fresh coat of paint

10. **New Business**

- Reed Park Driveway reseal – Hubscher done last year and turned out nice; Motion by Lyle McCoon, seconded by Derek Hessbrook to use Fox; Approved by all present, motion passed.
 - Review overlook and disk golf bridge
 - Possibility of a new storage barn with added security at both parks
11. **Additions:** (Tim administrator) Healthy Pine River wanted to know if this would fall under grant? Does not fall under grant program per Tim
12. **Commission Member Comments:** None
13. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm

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