

Park and Recreation Minutes

December 6th, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kacie Fahey. Present at party set-up on December 4th were Kacie Fahey, Tanya Borchardt, Lisa Klemmensen, Nicole Bower, Mark Page and Dawn McCracken.

Present for the Holiday Party were Kacie Fahey, Tanya Borchardt, Josh Lindgren, AB Morales, Nicole Bower, Mark Page, Eric Hanson and Dawn McCracken.

The Committee requested permanent name tags for all future events. Dawn will look into options and present at future meeting.

The holiday party was a success! We had 121 attendees, but that was lighter than usual attendance. However, there were various large events happening in the area at the same time.

We will post a donation request on our Facebook page for 3-part, pre-lit trees to help replace some of the existing trees that are no longer in good shape. Next year, we need to move the face painting station to situate the line movement in a better direction. For the seating area, next year we need to put out less chairs but more tables and consider new movies to show that would appeal to the older kids that attend.

Cookies donated and coffee and cocoa from Blue Nose, were a sufficient amount. It was suggested that next year water bottles are also offered as a beverage option. We often have some left over from Celebration. We would like 2-3 more XL black and yellow bins for storage options as well as more garland purchased.

The Farmington Fire Department has upgraded their AED units, which left them with multiple older units. They've offered to donate some of them to Empire which would fulfill our need for 6 units. Empire would need to purchase cases for them as a one-time expense and would periodically replace the pads and batteries in the future. This would be a significant cost savings, even with future supplies needed. The Committee will recommend this solution to City Council for approval.

The meeting was adjourned.