

Park and Recreation Minutes

July 14, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Kacie Fahey. Present were Kacie Fahey, Tanya Nicole Bower, Amanda Stender, Lisa Klemmensen, and Councilmembers Eric Hanson and Mark Page.

The Raptor Center event was a big success! We had 94 attendees and lots of popcorn was had. Next year, we will need to verify if the Raptor Center will need a speaker and microphone, or not. They forgot to bring one this year.

Hudson Irish Dance is not able to perform on Sunday, July 27th. Rince Na Chroi (RNC) will be taking their place and are able to put on the show. The event will begin at 7:00 PM as scheduled. Amanda and Lisa will cover this event.

Charlie has continued coordination for Celebrate Empire with the Sheriff and Fire Departments, various vendors and donors. Committee members reviewed the list and updated quantities. Ice cream options might be Chick Filet or Brand Farms. We should consider getting ice cream toppings. This year, the Celebration will take place the same week as the Dakota County Fair and Thursday will be kids day at the fair. In the future, perhaps we could consider moving the Empire Celebration a week sooner or later as to not land on the week of the Fair.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.