



Meeting Minutes

Date: 3/26/26

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Place: Parks & Recreation Administration Building
108 South Oak Street

Re: March 2026 Parks & Recreation Board Meeting

Present:

Derek Diorio, P&R Chairperson (sliding in 5 minutes late)
Brian Darby, P&R Board Secretary
Jonathan Ackerman, P&R Board Member
Michelle Davidson, P&R Board Member
Richard Noon, P&R Board Member
John Pullen, P&R Board Member
Ray McDonald, Director of Parks & Recreation (the walking return of [insert trumpets])
Michael Davenport, Special Events Supervisor
Lee Ann Jones, Administrative Assistant
Eric Lorenz, Recreation Superintendent
Collin Knight, Recreation Specialist - Special Events

Absent:

Josh Brinegar, P&R Vice Chairperson
Angie Grimm, P&R Board Member

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Roanoke Parks & Recreation Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Brian Darby. (Only because Derek was being a Dad and Josh was keeping his job. Come on dudes, get your priorities straight.)

B. PUBLIC INPUT

None.

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Consideration and Action to approve the minutes from the regular Parks and Recreation Board meeting held on January 22, 2026. A motion was made to accept the minutes by Jonathan Ackerman and seconded by Richard Noon. Motion carried unanimously.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Board Member Reports (maintenance items):

- a. John - Austin Street Plaza & City Hall & Fountain: All is good.
- b. Brian – Skate Park & Cannon Parkway Park:
 - i. Noted new pavilion and basketball court paint.
 - ii. Noted light pole that was recently knocked over. Ray related the story of working with our PD and the use of our Flock cameras to find the culprits. (Go Team Roanoke)
 - iii. Noted excavated hole. Ray explained the irrigation repairs underway.
 - iv. Michelle noted graffiti in the skate park bowl.
- c. Derek - Country Acres Park & Fairway Ranch Playground:

Fairway Ranch: Noted exposed tree drip lines and more holes in the shade structure.
- d. Jonathan – Roanoke Community Park:
 - i. Noted the great Fishing in the Park event.
 - ii. Inquired about locks on fields. Ray related his past experiences with open general use creating maintenance preservation issues and time sharing disputes involving law enforcement.
- e. Michelle – Linear Park, Parks of Roanoke park & corner park:

Noted the joy of seeing people playing in newly renovated Corner Park.
- f. Richard – Briarwyck / Cade Branch Trail: All is good.

2. Corner Park Update:

Done! Beautiful pictures as proof along with Michelle's earlier testimonial.

3. Staff Reports & Updates:

In the latest Hollywood style PowerPoint presentation, we reviewed:

- i. Parks:
 1. Cannon Park New Pavilion Pad & Pavilion & completion.
 2. Soccer Complex concrete repair.
 3. Library Rock Garden improvements.
 4. Oak Street crushed granite refreshed.
 5. Skate Park graffiti removed.

- ii. Recreation:
 - 1. FairPlay and Soccer Complex AED Units Installed.
 - 2. Recreation Center roof installation and completion.
 - 3. New Scale and Quartz Window Sill.
 - 4. Nokebook Marketing.
 - 5. Recreation Aides in-house CPR, first aid, and AED training.
 - 6. Spring Break Camp.
 - 7. Community Pool public WIFI internet project.
 - 8. Senior Center Paint Project.
 - 9. Senior Center Activities.
- iii. Special Events:
 - 1. 2026 Valentine's Dance.
 - 2. Fishing in the Park.
 - 3. Eggapolooza.
 - 4. Taste & Tunes on Oak Street.

E. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by John Pullen and seconded by Michelle Davidson at precisely 7:16pm.
(prove me wrong, I dare you) Motion carried unanimously.

Reported By:

Brian Darby, P&R Board Secretary
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