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NOTICE OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY PARK BOARD MEETING

A meeting of the Wyandotte County Park Board of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas, will be conducted in a hybrid format on Wednesday, July 9, 2025, at 6:00 P.M.

We invite you to view the meeting in person in the 5th-floor conference room, Suite 515, 701 N. 7th Street, Kansas City, Kansas, or via a Zoom webinar.

Topic: Meeting of the Wyandotte County Park Board regarding staff updates on various projects.

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UNIFIED GOVERNMENT WYCO/KCK
REGULAR BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Wednesday, July 9th, 2025

City Hall, 701 N. 7th Street, Room 515, KCK 66101

And Via Zoom at 6:00pm

Agenda

Have the proper meeting notices been given? _____

Call to Order, _____ P.M.

Roll Call:

_____ Mario Escobar/Mayor Garner
*Chairman

_____ Dr. Jane Winkler Philbrook/District #6

_____ Kevin Mitchell/District #1
*First Vice Chairman

_____ Nathan Brungardt/District #7

_____ Jim Schneweise/District #2

_____ Laura Flores/District #8
*Secretary

_____ Amanda DeVriese-Sebilla/District #3

_____ Andrea Generaux/District #1 at Large

_____ Karen Daniels/District #4
*Second Vice Chairwoman

_____ Sarah Lynch/District #2 at Large

_____ Andrea Behrman/District #5

Non-Voting Members
_____ Samuel Simmons Sr./KCKPS

Administration Present:

_____ Angel Ferrara, Parks and Recreation, Director

_____ Shaya Lockett, Parks & Recreation, Recreation Manager

_____ Vincent Billaci, Parks & Recreation, Parks Manager

_____ Wendy Green, Counselor

_____ Elizabeth Scrimsher, Administrative Support Specialist

I – PRELIMINARIES

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The Agenda is presented for Board review, and consideration for adoption.

Additions:

Visitors:

Board Members:

The Agenda is presented for adoption.

Motion:_____ Seconded:_____ Vote:_____

2. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes

Minutes of the Wednesday, June 11th, 2025 regular Board of Park Commissioners meeting were presented for review and consideration for approval.

Motion:_____ Seconded:_____ Vote:_____

II – Presentations, Hearings, Communications

1. Visitors

Visitors may speak to the Board at this time. As a general rule, the Board will not enter into discussion, but will direct Administration to take under advisement, make necessary responses, and bring items to a future agenda as may be appropriate. Anyone addressing the Park Board must state their name and address for the record. Comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes for each participant. Per the Commission Rules of Procedure, which are applicable to Park Board meetings, comments should not include any rude or derogatory remarks, reflections as to integrity, abusive comments, and statements as to motives and personalities.

2. Correspondence

- Public Works Projects Update -

III – Old Business

- None to Report -

IV – New Business

- Employee of the Month Recognition –

V – Other Business

Staff Agenda

- Shaya Lockett –
 - a. Recreation Updates –
- Vincent Billaci –
 - a. Park Updates –
- Angel Ferrara –
 - a. Department Updates -
- **Board Member's Questions or Comments**

3. Adjournment at _____P.M.

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____ Vote: _____

**UNIFIED GOVERNMENT WYCO/KCK
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING
Wednesday, June 11th, 2025**

The June 11th, 2025, meeting of the Unified Government WyCo/KCK Board of Park Commissioners was held at City Hall 701 N 7th St Room 515, Kansas City, KS 66101 & Virtually – Via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Unified Government Board of Park Commissioners was called to order at 6:02 pm by Mario Escobar, Chairman. Angel Ferrara, Director, stated proper meeting notice had been given

ROLL CALL:

Members present were recorded for the minutes

Board Members Present:

Mario Escobar, Chairman
Jim Schneweise, Member
Karen Daniel, Second Vice-Chairwoman
Andrea Behrman, Member
Dr. Jane Winkler Philbrook, Member
Andrea Generaux - Member
Samuel Simmons Sr /KCKPS-Non-Voting Member

Board Members Absent:

Amanda DeVriese-Sebilla, Member
Kevin Mitchell, Member
Nathan Brungardt, Member
Laura Flores, Secretary
Sarah Lynch, Member

Administration Present:

Angel Ferrara, Director of Parks and Recreation
Shaya Lockett, Recreation Assistant Director
Vincent Billaci, Manager of Recreation
Wendy Green, Counselor
Elizabeth Scrimsher, Administrative Support Specialist

I – PRELIMINARIES

- **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

A motion was made by Dr. Jane Winkler Philbrook to adopt June 11th, 2025, Agenda and seconded by Andrea Behrman

Motion carried (Ayes 6, Nays 0)

- **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

Minutes of Wednesday, May 14th, 2025, regular Board of Park Commissioners, were presented for review and consideration for approval. A motion was made by Dr. Jane Winkler Philbrook and seconded by Jim Schneweise

Motion carried (Ayes 6, Nays 0)

II- PRESENTATIONS, HEARINGS, COMMUNICATIONS

- **Visitors** – None to Report

Visitors may speak to the Board at this time

As a general rule, the Board will not enter discussion, but will direct Administration to take under advisement, make necessary response and bring items to a future agenda as may be appropriate

- **Correspondence** – None to Report

- **Public Works Projects Update** – Angel Ferrara stated the Parks and Recreation Department attempted to obtain a project update from Public Works but did not receive any information for June. We will request an update from Public Works regarding ongoing projects to share with the Park Board during their meeting in July

III– OLD BUSINESS

- None to Report

IV- NEW BUSINESS

- Employee of the Month Recognition –Vincent Billaci shared with the Park Board that the Parks and Recreation Department’s May Employee of the Month is Joel Crider. He is a Groundskeeper who was nominated for his strong work ethic and for bringing energy and conversation to the workplace. Whether he’s tackling a tough job or chatting with a co-worker, Joel helps keep the team connected and the parks looking great. We invited Joel to the Park Board meeting tonight, but he was unable to attend
- Discussion on Request for Wheelchair-Friendly Paved Nature Trail -
- Visitor Nicole Voss – Joined, Via Zoom, with the Park Board tonight to give more input on her inquiry about paved walking trails in Wyandotte County. Specifically, ADA, or more inclusive trails, stated that we have limited options in Wyandotte County for residents with mobility challenges to safely enjoy outdoors, she shared, currently we have two ADA trails and Nicole Voss would like to see more in the future, and have one in near future at the Wyandotte County Lake
 - Angel Ferrera – Thanked, Nicole Voss for joining the Park Board meeting tonight, and her input is appreciated, and advised we are committed to improving accessibility within the community’s parks also advised we shared with the Park Board, the trails that Parks & Recreation have in process, and the recent investments, estimated \$2 million for trails that are grant funded, advised Nicole Voss, Parks & Recreation will share with the Public website, and advised with the new trails we have installed Pierson Park, Klamm Park, and Wyco Park walking trail that is in construction now, we are including as many ADA compliant trail features as possible

V - OTHER BUSINESS

Staff Agenda

Shaya Lockett - Recreation Updates

- Parkwood Pool is officially open, opening day was delayed due to the temperature and weather
- YMCA has started swimming lessons, partnering with GEHA, taking place at Parkwood Pool, and is free to the community and registration is full, along with a waiting list
- Summer camp is currently running; we are in week two, at the Eisenhower Community Center. We have partnered with some groups, such as Math Scientists and Temple May Fitness, to offer a STEM literacy program as well as fitness and wellness training

- Movie in the park at Eisenhower this Friday, invited Park Board
- Sheriff's Day - takes place on June 20th, they will provide free admission for the first 200 people, and will be providing hot dogs, the KCK Fire Department will be there as well
- Paint in the Park – Took place this past Saturday at Wyandotte County Lake, held at the beach shelter, around 20 participants
- The Juneteenth Celebration will be held on June 21st. We are collaborating with a few community organizations, along with the Unified Government. The event is at Klamm Park, in partnership with the Unified Government, we will have the parade starting at the Quindaro ruins from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Activities include a pickleball clinic at 10:30 AM, a basketball clinic at noon, speakers, and music. The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks will also offer free fish fry
- Christmas in July - Will be on July 19th at Wyandotte County Lake and will have a kid's fishing derby event. We will bring back the Globe party this year with a DJ. And then we will have the fireworks and a few other activities for the family
- Shaya apologized for not being able to provide the participation numbers for last month, noting that around 4,040 people visited our community centers, mainly for activities. Currently, we are in the outdoor sports season, which means that many of our sports events occur in the fields and are not reflected in the attendance figures for the community centers. Nevertheless, with school being out, we are seeing an increase in our free play sessions, resulting in more children visiting our facilities for recreational activities

Vincent Billaci - Park Updates

- Pierson Park, the walking trail and the fencing for the dog park and spray park are near completion. The spray park should be operational this week
- Boston Daniels Park, we are making excellent progress on the playground, estimating completion in another few weeks to a month. We will set a ribbon-cutting date for the project
- The Vietnam and Korean War Memorial is completed, the ribbon cutting date is scheduled on Saturday, June 28th, 9:00 AM. We have worked on a rededication event with Bonner Springs VFW and Commissioner Jim Schneweise, as he is a Vietnam Veteran
- The Heathwood spray park should be up and running by Memorial Day weekend
- Klamm Park, we did a walkthrough yesterday, pending some minor restoration work remains; however, we have a lot of use on the trail already, and we will have a ribbon-cutting date soon
- Edgerton Park, maintenance work will start on Monday

- The Wyandotte County Park, this walking trail is close to a mile long, weather permitting, should be completed late summer
- Kensington Park, soccer fields, and walking trail, including some lighting upgrades, construction should start in July
- Ribbon cutting was today at the Heathwood splash pad, a huge improvement. The splash pad now has 27 features, we had a great turnout

VI - BOARD MEMBER'S QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

- Dr. Jane Winkler Philbrook – Ask if the Wyandotte County Park trail will be ADA, as the access is pretty level
 - Angel Ferrara – Stated that most of the park components will be ADA, like the surface material, and then the overall general slope, and some of the components for the trail will also include resting areas, which we plan to install some benches, and signage, and the trail will be eight foot wide
- Karen Daniels – Shared her experience with her grandkids and loved Heathwood Spray Park, and appreciated the popsicles, also made a visit to Parkwood Pool and spoke to some of the community, and they were very appreciative that the price to enter the pool, never changed since they were kids
- Mario Escobar – Encourages Park Board members to attend events, when possible, especially in our areas that we service.
- Angel Ferrara – Shared with the Parks Board, when we had the Wyandotte County Lake Dog Park ribbon cut opening, I wanted to recognize and thank Laura Flores, Park Board Commissioner, Laura attended that event, so it was great to have just the representation and support of the Park Board attend this event, she also thanked Commissioners Dr. Jane Winkler Philbrook for attending the special session for the Parkwood Pool presentation, along with Chairman Mario Escobar as he spoke in behalf at the fourth budget workshop, including the public hearing
- Jim Schneweise – Wanted to thank Ethan Haines and Vincent Billaci for the work they did to set up the celebration for the Vietnam and Korean War Memorial
- Mario Escobar – Thanked new Park Board member, Andrea Generaux, District #1 at Large, for joining

- Mario Escobar – Wanted to congratulate Amanda DeVriese-Sebilla, who was unable to attend the Park Board meeting; she is graduating from Leadership 2000 tonight

VII – ADJOURNMENT

- Mario Escobar - Chairman requested to adjourn; Andrea Generaux made a motion, Dr. Jane Winkler Philbrook seconded the motion meeting was adjourned at 6:38 PM Motion

Carried (Ayes 6, Nays 0)

Mario Escobar/Chairman

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23 | 6:00PM - 7:00PM

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THEME : MOVIE/ TV SHOW SONGS

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About Tournament

All proceeds benefit the Wyandotte County Parks Foundation, a 501c3 nonprofit, and its mission to support our public parks and recreation.

Date & Place

SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2025

Sunflower Hills Golf Course

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