

City of Evansville **Park and Recreation Board**
Regular Meeting
City Hall, 31 S Madison St., Evansville, WI 53536
Wednesday, August 12, 2026 5:00 pm

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** Fuson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call:**

Members	Present/Absent	Others Present
Alderperson Norman Barker	P	Leah Hurtley, City Clerk
Sue Merritt	P	Scott Kriebs, Municipal Service Director
Lyman Fuson	P	
Chad Sigl	A	
Chair, Matt Poock	A	
Kris Evans	A	
Sam Wallace	P	

3. **Motion to Approve Agenda by Barker, seconded by Wallace. Motion passed 4-0.**

4. **Motion to Waive the Reading of the Minutes from July 21, 2026 meeting and Approve them as Printed by Wallace, seconded by Barker. Motion passed 4-0.**

5. **Civility Reminder:** Fuson issued a reminder that everyone should be treated with kindness.

6. **Citizen Appearances:** None

7. **New Business**

A. **Discussion and Motion to Approve Circus to be at Leonard Leota Park August 17th-21st, finding that the event to be in the public interest and meets the objectives to encourage Community Engagement, with the following conditions:**

1. ***Occupancy at Leonard Leota Park from August 17th to August 21st with showtimes, offering free admission, being August 18th, 19th, and 20th, with fees to not exceed \$300***
2. ***Grant Permission for Overnight Parking/Sleeping in Lake Leota Park for Circus Event August 17th-20th***

Motion by Wallace, adding a 3rd condition that notice is given to the properties that abutt up to Leonard Leota Park are given notice about the event, seconded by Merritt. Motion passed 4-0.

Hurtley gave details for checking with all Departments to make sure that there were no concerns about having the circus come. There was additional discussion on fees, security deposits, outlet hook ups, circus fees, Jay's potential play-off game, and giving notice to the properties that abut to Leonard Leota Park.

8. **Park's Report**

A. **General Park Updates:** Kriebs reported that the surge tanks from behind the Park Store have been removed and a catch basin will be installed to help with Stormwater. Larson Acres Park has some work beginning to help with Storm Drainage.

B. **Adopt-A-Park:** Kriebs shared that Dalton and Anderson had met to come up with an updated list of available areas available for rental.

9. **Aquatic Center:** The Aquatic Director Olson will be starting vacation Saturday the 15th.

10. City Youth Baseball: Nothing to report.

11. Old Business: None

12. Upcoming Meetings

A. September 15 at 6:00 p.m.

B. October 20, November 17, December 15

13. Adjourn: Fuson adjourned the meeting at 5:39 p.m.