

**CITY OF LEBANON
PARK BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2026, 12:00 PM
CITY HALL, STANLEY H. ALLEN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 401 SOUTH JEFFERSON
“TENTATIVE AGENDA”**

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Declaration of Quorum

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comments

4. Approval of Minutes

a. July 8, 2026, Regular Meeting

5. Finance Report

a. July 2026 Financials

6. Discussions and Presentations

a. Indian Creek Restroom

b. Skate Park Update

c. Turf Fields

7. Possible Action Items

a. Atchley Park Front Parking Lot

8. Comments from the Board and Staff

9. Adjournment

CITY OF LEBANON
PARK BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JULY 8, 2026

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Park Board of the City of Lebanon, Missouri, met in Regular Session on July 8, 2026, at 12:00 PM in the Council Chambers at City Hall located at 401 South Jefferson.

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Declaration of Quorum

Upon roll call, the following Officers were present: Melody Allen, John Gideon, Holly Goforth, Joni Milligan, Doug Smith, Heather Shadel, Ramsey Stewart, Chris Wall, and Neal Wilkinson.

Absent: None.

A quorum was declared.

Staff members and others in attendance: City Administrator Troy Schulte, Park Director John Shelton, and City Clerk Lacey Brackett.

Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was led by President Doug Smith.

Public Comments

None.

Approval of Minutes

June 10, 2026, Regular Meeting

Chris Wall moved and Holly Goforth seconded that the Board approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried as follows: Yea: (9) Melody Allen, John Gideon, Holly Goforth, Joni Milligan, Doug Smith, Heather Shadel, Ramsey Stewart, Chris Wall, Neal Wilkinson; Nay: (0) None; Abstain: (0) None; Absent: (0) None.

Finance Report

June 2026 Financials

Park Director John Shelton presented the June financials discussing the revenue and expenditure. Shelton discussed and compared actual revenue and expenses vs. budgeted. Shelton added that the Boswell Aquatic Center revenue had come in higher than budgeted.

Discussions and Presentations

Boswell Aquatic Center Update

Park Director John Shelton reported that attendance, group visits, and party bookings have increased since last year, and reviewed the revenues from past years. Shelton reported that an equipment breakdown caused last year to be delayed by opening by about a week, which affected early-season school group numbers. Shelton reported that the swim lesson program,

which was relaunched last year, had performed well, with Board Member Wilkinson sharing that he had received feedback from a citizen that shared how impressed she was with the lessons, but shared that she thought it was underutilized.

Park Project Update

Park Director John Shelton reported that installation of the parking lot and basketball court lights at the Atchley Park pickleball courts was ongoing, and that the basketball court lines were still in progress. Board Member John Gideon raised the issue of water mitigation near the pickleball courts, and the Board discussed the matter further. Shelton added that staff were working to address the water runoff issue coming into the park.

Baseball/Softball Update

Park Director John Shelton reviewed recent baseball and softball tournaments, noting that a couple of tournaments with several participating teams were canceled due to rain. Shelton shared that tournaments would continue over the next couple of weeks, followed by a break until the end of August, when fall baseball and softball begin.

Future Park Projects

Park Director John Shelton reviewed the Capital Improvement List and proposed resequencing several projects without adjusting the overall budget. Shelton shared that constructing the Atchley Park restroom and completing the Atchley Park front shelter as separate projects, rather than combining them, would help reduce prevailing wage costs. Shelton also recommended moving the front parking lot redesign at Atchley Park up to FY2027 to address traffic flow issues. Shelton added that the playground replacement is tentatively planned for early spring. Board Members raised no concerns with the proposed resequencing of projects.

Park Director John Shelton shared an update on the proposal to install artificial turf, reporting a calculated potential cost savings of approximately \$73,000 per year between labor, supplies, and equipment savings. Shelton presented letters of support from a couple of local businesses, which have been attached and made part of the permanent record. Shelton and the Board discussed the potential economic benefit turf could add in supporting future development in the area. The Board discussed long-term planning considerations related to other sporting needs, including a discussion of soccer facility needs that could potentially be addressed at the Exhibition Hall. Shelton and the Board discussed the City's contract with the tournament operations company and inquired about the potential to bring the operation in-house, with Shelton expressing concern about staffing and logistical issues in doing so. Shelton shared that there would be an action item on the next Park Board agenda to vote on the turf field recommendation.

Possible Action Items

None

Comments from the Board and Staff

Board Member John Gideon reported complaints about the balls being caught under the

exterior fence at the pickleball courts.

Board Member Melody Allen shared that the tennis group had reached out about the nets and Park Director John Shelton shared that replacement nets were ordered.

Adjournment

President Doug Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

ATTEST:

President Doug Smith

City Clerk Lacey Brackett

Minutes Approved