

Approved:

**Midland County Parks & Recreation Commission
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 4, 2026**

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Lynn Evans, Roy Green, Jim Malek, Larry Schuelke, Jeanette Snyder, Joe Sova, Leah Ziems

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT

Mike Atton, Terry Hall

STAFF PRESENT

Patrick Clark, Director Midland County Parks and Recreation

OTHERS PRESENT

Jim Haller

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Parks Commission Chairman Green at 6:02 P.M. A quorum declared present and the Midland County Parks and Recreation Commission could officially conduct business.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The motion to adopt the agenda made by Commissioner Schuelke, supported by Commissioner Ziems; Agenda approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL MINUTES

The motion to adopt Approval of February 4, 2026 Minutes, Motion was made by Commissioner Schuelke; supported by Commissioner Malek; the minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jim Haller wanted to extend his appreciation to the Parks and Recreation Commission for their work on keeping the Rail trail plowed and cleared.

PARK/PROJECT UPDATES

The previous dock system has been dismantled, cut up and disposed of. The dock will be replaced with an EZ floating dock system. The system can easily be built onto in future years if expansion is warranted. Scrap from the previous dock was taken to recycle and \$395.10 was deposited into the General Fund.

Replacement of RTV 1140 bid packet was put together in concert with the Finance Dept. and sent out to local Kubota dealers. A winning bid was secured and the Purchase Order was sent to procure the equipment.

Inventory was taken and orders placed for summer season janitorial supplies.

Work continued on updating and replacing hardware and painting at the Sanford Lake Park restrooms.

New swimming area buoys and anchors were delivered; new throw rings and storage containers were delivered for the beach area at Sanford Lake Park.

Summer seasonal recruitment is in full swing. A press release was put out to all local radio, on-line/newsprint and TV stations. The information was also shared via social media with Digital Mitten, Midland County Newsletter and MCTV.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Alcohol discussion (stricken)

B. Fees discussion (motion requested)

Motion to change the Non-Resident Entry Fee for the 2026 season from \$13 to \$14. The motion was made by Commissioner Sova; supported by Commissioner Ziemis; the motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Motion to accept the proposed 2026 fees with the Non-Resident Entry Fee change. The motion was made by Commissioner Schuelke; supported by Commissioner Ziemis; the motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Sanford Drainage District Project (motion requested *noting MDNR approval)

Motion to approve the Drainage Easement Parcel I.D. No. 081-025-100-140-00 Sanford Tile Drain Project as presented, Motion was made by Commissioner Sova; supported by Commissioner Malek; the motion was approved by unanimous voice vote

B. Beach Dredging and Boat Launch Update

ADJORNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 P.M. was made by Commissioner Malek and supported by Commissioner Ziemis; Meeting adjourned by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Evans, Secretary

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