

CITY OF ROCK ISLAND
PARK BOARD MEETING
RIFAC, Room 5
Rock Island IL 61201

April 20th 2026 Minutes

1. Call to Order

President Fred Dasso called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

2. Attendance

Members Present: Fred Dasso, Mike Foley, Paul Hansen, Bill Anderson, John McEvoy

Members Absent: Venessa Taylor

Staff Present: John Gripp, Executive Director; Todd Winter, Assistant Director; Kimberly Kruse, Parks Administrative Office Manager; Nikki Smith, Community Recreation and Facilities Manager

Staff Absent: none Audience: Todd Linscott, Friends of Hauberg

3. Nikki Smith gave a presentation on RIFAC and Whitewater Junction available per request

4. Move to Item 11a: Friends of Hauberg Children's Garden presentation by Mr. Anderson.

Seconded by Mr. Foley. Presentation available by request.

Mr. Dasso: Aye Mr. Foley: Aye Mr. McEvoy: Aye Ms. Taylor: Abs Mr. Hansen: Aye
Mr. Anderson: Aye

5. February Park Board Minutes

Minutes are adopted as written.

6. Correspondence

Thank yous from Alleman Catholic High School, Junior Board of Rock Island, New Kingdom Trailriders, World Relief were recognized.

7. Monthly Report from Finance Department was given.

8. Approval of the Bills for the Months of February 2026 for \$132,891.10 and March 2026 for \$147,791.55

Mr. Dasso: Aye Mr. Foley: Aye Mr. McEvoy: Aye Ms. Taylor: Abs Mr. Hansen: Aye Mr. Anderson: Aye

9. Director's Report and other reports

Monthly Reports given by Executive Director and Assistant Director as written in the park board packet available on the rigov.org website.

10. New Business

Motion to approve Rock Academy made by Mr. Hansen. Seconded by Mr. Foley.

Mr. Dasso: Aye Mr. Foley: Aye Mr. McEvoy: Aye Ms. Taylor: Abs Mr. Hansen: Aye
Mr. Anderson: Aye

Motion to approve Lupus Awareness Walk made by Mr. McEvoy. Seconded by Mr. Foley.

Mr. Dasso: Aye Mr. Foley: Aye Mr. McEvoy: Aye Ms. Taylor: Abs Mr. Hansen: Aye
Mr. Anderson: Aye

Motion to approve LoPro Disc Golf Tournament made by Mr. Foley. Seconded by Mr. Anderson.

Mr. Dasso: Aye Mr. Foley: Aye Mr. McEvoy: Aye Ms. Taylor: Abs Mr. Hansen: Aye
Mr. Anderson: Aye

Motion to approve Multi Church Service made by Mr. McEvoy. Seconded by Mr. Foley.

Mr. Dasso: Aye Mr. Foley: Aye Mr. McEvoy: Aye Ms. Taylor: Abs Mr. Hansen: Aye
Mr. Anderson: Aye

Motion to approve Floatzilla made by Mr. Anderson. Seconded by Mr. Foley.

Mr. Dasso: Aye Mr. Foley: Aye Mr. McEvoy: Aye Ms. Taylor: Abs Mr. Hansen: Aye
Mr. Anderson: Aye

Grants Update – OSLAD Grant for Douglas Park for Turf Multi Use Field of \$600,000

The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 pm

Kimberly B Kruse,
Parks & Recreation
Admin Office Manager