



**Parks & Recreation  
Commission -  
THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2026; 4:30 P.M.  
City Hall, 211 Walnut Street  
Neenah, WI 54956  
**REVISED****



**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, pursuant to the requirements of Wis. Stats. Sec. 19.84, that a majority of the Neenah Common Council may be present at this meeting. Common Council members may be present to gather information about a subject over which they have decision making responsibility. This constitutes a meeting of the Neenah Common Council and must be noticed as such. The Council will not take any formal action at this meeting.

<b>MEMBERS</b>	Lee Hillstrom, Kate Hancock-Cooke, Gary Lawell, Peter Kelly, Eric Maggio, Ted Galloway, Jim Wise, Ashley Ondresky, and Scott Weber
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<b>STAFF</b>	Megan Thompson, Kristine Butteris, Trevor Fink, and Michael Kading
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**AGENDA TOPICS**

<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>	
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<b>APPEARANCES</b>	Open Forum/Commission Consideration of Appearances
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<b>MINUTES</b>	Approval of Regular Minutes: February 19, 2026	Attached
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<b>BILL VOUCHERS</b>	Bills for Previous Month	Ondresky
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<b>FINANCIAL Report</b>	Review Financials Quarterly - None	Attached
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<b>MISSION ACTION Report</b>		Attached
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<b>BUSINESS ITEMS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Doty Cabin – Accession/Deaccession</li> <li>2. Request to Place Monument at Doty Park</li> <li>3. <b>Arrowhead Update</b></li> <li>4. Commission President and Vice President Nominations</li> <li>5. 2026 CIP Review</li> <li>6. Announcements &amp; Future Agenda Items</li> </ol> Committee/Commission Appointments – Harbor & Plan	
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<b>LIAISON / AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Plan Commission</li> <li>◇ Harbor Committee</li> <li>◇ CORP Taskforce</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Hancock-Cooke</li> <li>◇ Galloway</li> <li>◇ Ondresky</li> </ul>
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## PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

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REGULAR MEETING – February 19, 2026

### Members Present

X	Jim Wise		Kate Hancock - Cooke	X	Gary Lawell
X	Peter Kelly	X	Eric Maggio	X	Ted Galloway
X	Lee Hillstrom	X	Ashley Ondresky	X	Scott Weber

### Staff Present

X Michael T. Kading, Director of Parks & Recreation  
, Superintendent of Recreation  
Trevor Fink, Superintendent of Parks  
X Megan Thompson, Recreation Supervisor

Others Present: Kristine Butteris (new Superintendent of Recreation), Frank Cuthbert, Jacy Park, Becky Heidke-Kwiatkowski

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY Commissioner Ondresky at 4:31 P.M.

### Correspondence

None

### Appearances

Director Kading introduced Kristine Butteris to the Commission as our new Superintendent of Recreation.

### Minutes

MSC Hillstrom/Galloway to approve the minutes of the January 15 Commission Meeting. All voting aye.

### Bill Vouchers

Commissioner Ondresky reviewed the vouchers for January and found them to be in order.

### Financial Report

The 2025 unaudited 4<sup>th</sup> quarter and final financial records were reviewed.

MSC Hillstrom/Lawell to accept and place on file the 2025 unaudited financial report. All voting aye.

### Mission Action Report

The report was distributed earlier. The following items were discussed:

Director Kading reviewed the Log Your Loops program that the City will help facilitate in 2026 in cooperation with Fox Crossing and Menasha. FNI was thanked for sponsoring the program for the last 7 years, and ThedaCare was thanked for their ongoing financial support.

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Commissioner Ondresky inquired about attendance at the recent conference. Kading indicated that he attended several sessions on leadership, while Butteris said she attended a session on aquatics and the shift away from stroke development to safety around the water.

Commissioner Lawell commended Superintendent Fink and the park crew for their dedication and commitment to keeping the ice rinks up and running throughout the inconsistent weather and further recognized the staff for the tremendous Summer Activity Guide that arrived in the mail today (lots of great programs, attractive marketing piece).

## **BUSINESS FOR CONSIDERATION**

### **NEW BUSINESS ITEM #1: Doty Cabin - Accession/Deaccession**

Director Kading reviewed the list of items, noting that most were broken and in very poor condition. It was noted that for items that are in poor condition but may be useful to other organizations, every attempt will be made to find a good home.

**Action:** MSP Galloway/Kelly to approve deaccessions found on the attached form. All voting aye.

### **BUSINESS ITEM #2: Recommend Firm to Conduct Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP)**

Director Kading reviewed the Request for Proposals and selection process, indicating that after conducting interviews, the Task Force felt that Graef was the best fit for the Parks & Recreation Department. Commissioners Ondresky, Maggio, and Wise affirmed that this was the impression.

**Action:** MSC Galloway/Lawell to accept and recommend the CORP Task Force's recommendation to hire GRAEF, Milwaukee, WI, to help the City conduct a CORP in the amount of \$30,100.

### **BUSINESS ITEM #3: Arrowhead Discussion**

The presentation given to the Council was reviewed. The Commission asked for an updated presentation in March.

**Action:** None

### **BUSINESS ITEM #4: Appoint Nomination Committee**

Commissioners Lawell and Wise indicated a willingness to serve on the Nomination Committee.

**Action:** MSC Galloway/Hillstrom to appoint Commissioners Lawell and Wise to the Nomination Committee. All voting aye.

### **BUSINESS ITEM #5: 2026 CIP Review**

The 2026 CIP progress was reviewed.

Commissioner Galloway inquired about the status of the “T” pier at Shattuck and suggested that patching was needed at Rec Park even though the City will be addressing in 2027.

**BUSINESS ITEM #6: Announcements and Future Agenda Items**

Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Funding – Director Kading issued a call for action regarding the lack of action at the state assembly and senator level to come to an agreement to fund the stewardship program. Commissioners were asked to contact their state representative and senator.

**LIAISON REPORTS**

Plans Commission: Hancock-Cooke: There was nothing to report.

Harbor Committee: Galloway reported that the individual who has historically cut weeds in the harbor may not be able to complete these duties in 2026. The backup plan will be to ask the company who cuts weeds on Little Lake Butte des Morts to complete these duties.

CORP Task Force: See Business Item #2.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:16 P.M.

Recorded for the Commission by Michael T. Kading, CPRP

**Motion to grant permission to staff to deaccession / dispose of items identified below per policy.**

<b>Id #</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>The Why</b>
DC1993-1094	Milk Glass Lion	We only have the cover, there is no bottom.
DC1995-206	Mexican Clay Piggy Bank	***Object is in poor condition. Ear is broken off the pig. Origin of the object is unknown.
DC1995-213	Glass Paper Weight with a Picture of a Train	***Object is in poor condition. Paint coming off.
DC1994-168	Blue Figurine of Man Holding a Ball	***Object is in poor condition. Shattered/chipped.
DC1995-124	Shell from Havana in an Envelope 3/18/1912	***Object does not fit the mission or scope. Shell and story is not local. NOTE: Object was part of the Clarence Olen Collection.
DC1991-507	Black, Velvet-Lined Eye Glass Case	Inventory states glasses inside case were broken. There were no glasses found.
DC1995-209	Hollow Coconut Shell with Holes	***Object does not fit the mission or scope. Coconut shell not local. Unknown origin. No historical significance.
DC1993-752	Folding ANSCO Camera from 1940's or 1950's	***Object does not fit the mission or scope of Core Collection. ***Object is in poor condition. Camera is broken and not salvageable or saleable.
DC1994-329 A&B	2 Woven Straw Handles or Ropes	***Object is in poor condition. Mildew.
DC1991-431	1873-1973 Twin Cities Centennial Plate	***Object does not fit the mission or scope.
DC1999-8	Rusty Metal Lock	***Object is in poor condition. Completely corroded. Not functional. No historical significance. Unknown origin.

DC1993-974	Brass Kettle with Handle	***Object is in poor condition. Cracked.
DC1996-70	Metal Bar for Scale with 3 Hooks	Part of a scale. We have a full scale in good condition already in the Core Collection.
DC1996-69	Metal Rod	Part of a scale. We have a full scale in good condition already in the Core Collection.
DC1996-39	Metal Bar with Two Adjustable Pins	Part of a scale. We have a full scale in good condition already in the Core Collection.
DC1996-71 A&B	Metal Parts with Screw Ends	Unknown parts.
DC1994-78	Glass Christmas Candle Holder	***Object is in poor condition. Design worn off the outside of the object.
DC1993-757 A&B	2 Clear Glass Broken Bases	***Object is in poor condition.
DC1991-625	Thin Glass Lamp Chimney	***Object is in poor condition. Shattered and completely unsalvageable.
DC1992-640	Clear Glass Creamer	***Object is in poor condition. Cracked/missing pieces.
DC1992-641	Clear Glass Container	***Object is in poor condition. Cracked/missing pieces.
DC1991-542	Blue & White Stoneware Plate	***Object is in poor condition. Cracked. ***Object does not fit the mission or scope. Too late for Doty's.
DC1991-434	"Neenah" Cream Pitcher from 1900-1930	***Object is in poor condition. Cracked/shattered.
DC1994-23	Blue & White Bowl	***Object is in poor condition. Cracked and glued.
DC1994-16	English Pottery Blue & White Sauce Dish from 1900	***Object is in poor condition. Chipped.
DC1994-173	Blue Wedgewood Jasperware Teapot	***Object is in poor condition. Cracked in pieces and glued.
DC1995-126	Buffalo Head Dress- Black Fur Cap with Horns, Feathers, and Ribbons	***Object is a fake/forgery ***Object condition is poor.

		Deaccession due to recommendation from the Oneida Nation Museum. Not appropriate examples of Native American object. Rhinestones and ribbons are not authentic.
DC1995-125	Large Plains Native American Drum with Painted Designs	***Object is fake/forgery ***Object condition is poor. Drum is molting. The fur is falling off. Deaccession due to recommendation from the Oneida Nation Museum. Not appropriate example of Native American Object.
DC1995-72	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 4, No. 1, Oct. 1904	<b>DC1995-72 - DC1995-97</b> ***Object care and preservation cannot be maintained. We prefer to maintain Core Collection objects significant to Doty Family, early Neenah pioneers and the current Native American collection. Also, we have no plans to display/use these books. NOTE: Part of the Clarence Olen Collection.
DC1995-73	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 4, No. 2, Jan. 1905	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-74	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 4, No. 3 & 4, Apr.-Aug. 1905	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-75	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 5, No. 1, Oct. 1905	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-76	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 5, No. 2, 1906	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-77	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 8, No. 1, Jan.-Mar. 1909	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-78	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 8, No. 4, Oct.-Dec. 1909	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-79	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 18, No. 4, 1919	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-80	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 19, No. 1, Jan. 1920	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-81	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 19, No. 2, Apr. 1920	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-82	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 19, No. 3, Aug. 1920	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-83	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 20, No. 1, Feb. 1921	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-84	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 20, No. 2, Apr. 1921	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-85	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 20, No. 3, Jul. 1921	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-86	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 20, No. 4, Oct. 1921	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-87	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 1, No. 1, New Series, Jan. 1922	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-88	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 1, No. 2, New Series, Apr. 1922	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-89	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 1, No. 3, New Series, Aug. 1922	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-90	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 1, No. 4, New Series, Dec. 1922	^ See DC1995-72

DC1995-91	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 2, No. 1, New Series, Jan. 1923	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-92	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 2, No. 2, New Series, Apr. 1923	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-93	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 2, No. 3, New Series, Jul. 1923	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-94	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 2, No. 4, New Series, Oct. 1923	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-95	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 3, No. 1, New Series, Jan. 1924	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-96	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 3, No. 3, New Series, Jul. 1924	^ See DC1995-72
DC1995-97	Book "Wisconsin Archaeologist" Vol. 3, No. 4, New Series, Sep. 1924	^ See DC1995-72
DC1993-1108	Book "The Body in Health" by M.V. O'Shea & J.H. Kellogg 1920	***Object care and preservation cannot be maintained. We prefer to maintain Core Collection objects significant to Doty Family, early Neenah pioneers and the current Native American collection. Also, we have no plans to display/use this book.
DC1996-84	Book "The Theory and Practice of Midwifing" from 1783	***Object condition is poor. Cover is brittle, mold/mildewed.
DC1996-86	Book "A History of the Nineteenth Century Year by Year" Vol. 1 of 3 from 1902	<b>DC1996-86, 81, &amp; 91</b> ***Object care and preservation cannot be maintained. We prefer to maintain Core Collection objects significant to Doty Family, early Neenah pioneers and the current Native American collection. Also, we have no plans to display/use these books.
DC1996-81	Book "A History of the Nineteenth Century Year by Year" Vol. 2 of 3 from 1902	^ See DC1996-86
DC1996-91	Book "A History of the Nineteenth Century Year by Year" Vol. 3 of 3 from 1902	^ See DC1996-86
DC1995-70	Book "Bulletin of the Public Museum of the City of Milwaukee" Vol. 10, No. 1, May 29, 1929	***Object does not fit the mission or scope. Not local (Milwaukee).
DC1996-80	Book "A Short History of Ancient Europe" from 1934	***Object does not fit mission or scope (European history). ***Object condition is poor. Binder missing, torn pages, significant writing in the book.
DC1996-87	Book "History Book with NO NAME FOUND" Covers history from 400 B.C. – 1400 A.D.	***Object does not fit the mission or scope (not local). ***Object condition is poor.
DC1995-68	Book "Eleventh Annual Report of the Bureau of Ethnology to the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institute 1889-90" by J.W. Powell	<b>DC1995-68, 66, 67, &amp; 69</b>

	director. Dark brown hard cover bound volume with gold Indian bust on the cover. Fragile.	***Object care and preservation cannot be maintained. We prefer to maintain Core Collection objects significant to Doty Family, early Neenah pioneers and the current Native American collection. Also, we have no plans to display/use these books.
DC1995-66	Book "Eighth Annual Report of the Bureau of Ethnology (Comparative and Analytical Study of Cultures)1886-1887". Dark brown hard cover volume with gold Indian bust on cover. Fragile.	^ See DC1995-68
DC1995-67	Book "Tenth Annual Report of the Bureau of Ethnology (Comparative and Analytical Study of Cultures) to the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institute 1888-1889" by J.W. Powell director. Dark brown hard cover bound volume with gold Indian bust on cover. Fragile.	^ See DC1995-68
DC1995-69	Book "Thirteenth Annual Report of the Bureau of Ethnology (Comparative and Analytical Study of Cultures) to the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institute 1891-1892" by J.W. Powell director. Dark brown hard cover bound volume with gold Indian bust on cover. Fragile.	^ See DC1995-68
DC1995-63	Book "Collections of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin" Vol. XVI-The French Regime in Wisconsin 1634-1727. Printed in 1902	***Object condition is poor. Binding is broken.
DC1995-60	Book "History of the United States" from 1895	***Object condition is poor. Binding and cover are falling off. ***Object care and preservation cannot be maintained. We prefer to maintain Core Collection objects significant to Doty Family, early Neenah pioneers and the current Native American collection. Also, we have no plans to display/use these books.
DC1993-1083	Book "Barnes's Complete Geography" by James Monlietto 1885	***Object condition is poor. Binder and cover are falling off. ***Object care and preservation cannot be maintained. We prefer to maintain Core Collection objects significant to Doty Family, early Neenah pioneers and the current Native American collection. Also, we have no plans to display/use these books.
DC1991-514	Book "Atlas-Population of Major Cities 1890 & 1900" maps by Rand McNally	***Object condition is poor. Binder and cover are falling off. Cover has been replaced

		with brown wrap/crayon used to write "Atlis" on the cover. ***Object care and preservation cannot be maintained. We prefer to maintain Core Collection objects significant to Doty Family, early Neenah pioneers and the current Native American collection. Also, we have no plans to display/use these books.
DC1996-92	"Blue Book Wisconsin 1929" published by Democrat Printing Company – Madison, WI	***Object does not fit mission or scope.
DC1996-93	"Blue Book Wisconsin 1931" published by Democrat Printing Company – Madison, WI	***Object does not fit mission or scope.
DC1991-518	Book "1920 Automobile Engineering" Vol. 3, Sept. 5 1920	***Object does not fit mission or scope.
DC1996-89	Book "McLaughlin and Old Oregon" published in 1903 by A.C. McClurg & Co. in Chicago	***Object does not fit mission or scope.
DC1993-1086	Book "Short Sketches of Wisconsin Men" 1898- featuring Samuel A. Cook	***Object care and preservation cannot be maintained. We will donate to the Neenah Historical Society (if they want it).
DC1991-400	Prayer Book from England dated 1832	***Object does not fit mission or scope.
DC1991-396	"Browning Book of Poems" by Elizabeth B. Browning from 1870-1880?	***Object condition is poor. Cover is brittle and pieces are missing.
DC1995-65	Book of Maps of Upper Michigan	***Object does not fit mission or scope.
DC1991-519	Souvenir miniature photos of Oshkosh. Made for John M. Horn-Books, Stationery and News. Oshkosh, WI Copyright 1905	***Object is in poor condition. ***Object does not fit the mission or scope. Not local (Oshkosh).
DC1993-803	BIALMEROG Book. 1881 publishing in Decorah, IA. One metal fastener (one broken). Brown leather cover. Embossed.	***Object is in poor condition. ***Object does not fit the mission or scope. In German. Not local.
DC1993-808	German bible book. Brown leather cover. Copyright 1853. Cover taped. Book contains pressed flowers, a needle, green thread, and a frayed ribbon bookmark.	***Object is in poor condition. ***Object does not fit the mission or scope. German Bible.
DC1993-810	1865 German math book. Published 1862	***Object is in poor condition.

		We already have English, local arithmetic books in good condition.
DC1993-800	Hymn book. Methodist hymns- 714 pages and supplement. Hymns for Sunday School, Youth & Children- 49 pages. Red cover almost off.	***Object is in poor condition.
DC1995-53	Plat Book. Winnebago County WI. 1909. Bound. Red hard cover. Cover and binding is loose.	***Object is in poor condition. We have maps in good condition. ***Object does not fit the mission or scope. Outside the timeline of Gov. Doty.



# Parks & Recreation MISSION ACTION REPORT

March 19, 2026

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## Provide recreational experiences.

- **Operation Recreation Spring Break** will be held March 30-April 3. Due to extremely low enrollment, we are changing the format of the program, calling it **Spring Break Adventure Camp**, using Washington Park Shelter (instead of the Brigade) as our home base, and going on a different field trip around the Fox Valley each day.
- We ran a successful **Parents' Night Out** (March 7) and **Friday Night Kids Party** (March 13) at the Brigade, where kids enjoyed gym game activities, pizza, and a movie. Parents' Night Out was a collaboration with Horace Mann Elementary. We were able to provide a childcare solution for their families who were attending a fundraiser event for the school.
- We received a revenue check of \$2,371.04 from Rent.Fun for the **kayak rental pods**. We look forward to instruction from Rent.Fun on when the rental pods will open for the season.
- **Resident registration** for summer programs began on March 4<sup>th</sup>, and **non-resident registration** began on March 18<sup>th</sup>, so all programs are currently open for any participant to register.

## Foster human development.

- **Summer seasonal recreation staff** contracts and employment paperwork have been sent out. Aside from a few lifeguards and an Op Rec Supervisor, seasonal recreation staff are fully hired.

## Promote health and wellness.

- **Neenah Summer Fun Runs**  
-Superintendent Butteris met with Lee to review previous years of the Fun Runs as well as what this year will look like.
- **Filthy Fun Run**  
-Our staff met this past week with representatives from Fox Crossing Parks & Recreation and will be working on additional sponsorships for the event as well as getting the medals and headbands ordered. Promotion of this event will be coming out soon.

## Facilitate community problem solving.

- **Volunteers** are needed for the following events:
  - Filthy Fun Run - July 11
  - Kid's Triathlon - August 1
  - National Lighthouse Day - August 7

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# Parks & Recreation MISSION ACTION REPORT

## **Protect environmental resources.**

- Director Kading met with WI-DNR and Davel staff to walk **Carpenter Preserve** on Thursday, March 12. The purpose was to review and look for opportunities to partner on initiatives and to understand the overall project.
- Our staff continues to monitor and provide pictures and observations of the **KP shoreline** weekly for Edgewater Resources.

## **Strengthen community image and sense of place.**

- Director Kading and Superintendent Butteris met with **Neenah Arts Council** last week and reviewed upcoming events where the Arts Council will be tabling.
  - Farmer's Market – June 27<sup>th</sup>
  - Community Fest – July 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Neenah Night Out – August 4<sup>th</sup>
  - National Lighthouse Day – August 7<sup>th</sup> – They will have an art project for both youth and adults.
- Director Kading met with the **CommunityFest Board**.
  - We are looking to add more decorations to the event for the 250<sup>th</sup> in addition to added fireworks.
  - Planning continues for the event. There will be enhanced fireworks for the 250<sup>th</sup>, and Rex returns for the Pajama Jams.
- **Listen to the Loop Festival**
  - We are working on wrapping up music for the event. We have a few options. However, we are still looking for some food vendors. Since we are the kids/family stop, we were thinking pizza, hot dogs, chicken strips, etc. If you know of anyone or a business that would be interested, please have them contact us.

**Attached is a flyer for our Parks & Recreation Departments Special Events.  
Very exciting and engaging year ahead of us! Hope to see you out at the  
events!**



# 2026 SPECIAL EVENTS

**SAT  
JAN 11**

**11:00 AM-  
1:00 PM**  
at  
**Washington  
Park**

**Washington Park Winter Festival**  
Family-friendly event featuring winter activities including skating, sledding, hockey, and more. S'mores are roasted, and hot dogs and hot chocolate are served.

**WED  
MAY 6**

**10:00AM-  
12:00PM**  
at  
**Memorial  
Park**

**Touch A Truck**  
Event for preschool aged children with parents or daycare to see big trucks and other vehicles up close. Previous vehicles include semis, police cars, public buses, ambulances, and more.

**SAT  
MAY 9**

**8:00AM-  
1:00PM**  
at  
**City Hall  
Parking Lot**

**Junk in the Trunk\***  
Community rummage sale in a parking lot where vendors register to sell their items from their vehicle. It is open and free for the community to shop.

**FRI  
JUNE 5**

**4:30PM-  
6:30PM**  
at  
**Arrowhead  
Park**

**Listen to the Loop**  
Music festival on the Loop the Little Lake trail. Each community on the trail features a stage and food and beverages at a park. Neenah's site is Arrowhead Park.

**FRI & SAT  
JULY 3 & 4**

**11:30AM-  
10:10PM**  
at  
**Riverside  
Park**

**CommunityFest**  
Independence Day celebration featuring the Parade of Lights on July 3 and a full day of festivities on July 4, culminating with a fireworks show.

**SAT  
JULY 11**

**8:00AM-  
11:00AM**  
at  
**O'Hauser  
Park**

**Filthy Fun Run\***  
A fun, challenging adventure run/walk featuring obstacles. Participants will get dirty! Kids ages 4+ complete the course in groups by age, and parents can join them for the Family Run after.

**SAT  
JULY 18**

**2:00PM-  
3:00PM**  
at  
**the Neenah  
Pool**

**Cardboard Boat Regatta\***  
Children build a 2-person boat out of cardboard and race against the other teams. Awards include Most Creative, Best Team Spirit, Fastest Finish, and Titanic (Most Spectacular Sinking).

\*Pre-Registration Required - contact Neenah Parks & Recreation for registration information.



# 2026 SPECIAL EVENTS

**TUE  
JULY 28**

**5:45PM-  
Movie's End  
at  
Memorial  
Park**

### **Movie in the Park**

Enjoy an evening movie in the park as the sun sets. Concessions are sold. This year's movie is *Sketch*, and the event will featuring an activity for kids to create their own Sketch creature.

**SAT  
AUG 1**

**8:00AM-  
10:00AM  
at  
the Neenah  
Pool**

### **Kid's Triathlon\***

Multi-sport event for kids ages 6-14 consisting of swimming, cycling, and running. This event is focused on completion rather than competition and requires no previous triathlon experience.

**FRI  
AUG 7**

**4:30PM-  
7:30PM  
at  
Kimberly  
Point Park**

### **National Lighthouse Day**

Celebrating our Kimberly Point Lighthouse and featuring the groundbreaking ceremony for the Lighthouse Preservation Project. Food vendors and light music will be provided.

**TUE  
SEPT 15**

**9:00 AM-  
12:30 PM  
at  
Riverside  
Park**

### **A Day in the Park for the Young at Heart\***

Event for ages 55+ to relax, laugh, and enjoy a little bit of everything. Features bingo with prizes, lunch, and live entertainment. It's a morning full of fun, friends, and fresh air.

**SAT  
OCT 3**

**9:00 AM-  
11:00 AM  
at  
the Neenah  
Dog Park**

### **Howl-O-Ween\***

Halloween celebration with our furry friends at the dog park. The event features a costume contest and a trick or treat trail with vendors handing out goodies.

**SAT  
OCT 10**

**10:30AM-  
12:00PM  
at  
Riverside  
Park**

### **Build-A-Scarecrow\***

Families dedecorate their own scarecrow with clothes and props they bring from home. We provide the frame, twine, and straw. Finished scarecrows are taken home with their family.

**SAT  
DEC 5**

**9:00AM-  
10:15PM  
at  
Washington  
Park**

### **The Grinch Family Breakfast\***

Families enjoy a pancake breakfast, watch *The Grinch* cartoon, have a photo opportunity with The Grinch, and participate in a candy cane hunt outdoors.

\*Pre-Registration Required - contact Neenah Parks & Recreation for registration information.



# City of Neenah Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting March 19, 2026

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## **BUSINESS ITEM #1: Doty Cabin – Accession/Deaccession**

Staff is recommending the attached list of items to be accessioned into the Doty Cabin collection. The summary of items listed includes tools, artwork, and Native American artifacts.

A reminder that our focus is to keep an inventory that is related to our purpose to support knowledge of James Doty and family, early settler life in Neenah, and local Native American history.

Please contact the office if there is a particular item that you would like to see beforehand or would like to be brought to the meeting.

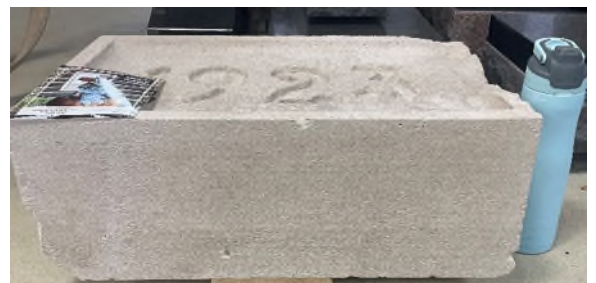
**Suggested Action:** Motion to grant permission to staff to accession items as listed per policy.

## **BUSINESS ITEM #2: Request Permission to Place Stone Monument on Park Property**

Council Member Flo Bruno has requested permission to place the 1923 cornerstone from Roosevelt School in close proximity to the “Rosie” statue that was installed last fall at the Doty Cabin Museum.

Staff advised Ms. Bruno that they did not believe this was an appropriate item to be placed in the park because it is unrelated to the Cabin or the history of the park and may cause confusion. Ms. Bruno requested further discussion and review; therefore, this request is coming before the Commission.

**Suggested Action:** A motion is required, should the Commission wish to grant permission, with the stipulation that movement and placement should come at no cost to the City and that the City will not be responsible for current or future maintenance of the stone.



## **BUSINESS ITEM #3: Updated Arrowhead Presentation**



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## **BUSINESS ITEM #4: Commission President and Vice President**

Commissioners Lawell and Wise will present a slate of officers for 2026-27.

***Suggested Action:*** A motion to nominate \_\_\_\_\_ as President and \_\_\_\_\_ as Vice President of the Commission for the term beginning April 16, 2026 through April 2027.

## **BUSINESS ITEM #5: 2026 CIP Review**

## **BUSINESS ITEM #6: Announcements & Future Agenda Items**

Next Meeting – April 16, 2026, at 4:30 P.M., City Hall

Committee/Commission Appointments to Harbor and Plan

**Motion to grant permission to staff to accession/add the following items to the Core Collection.**

<b>Current Id #</b>	<b>Proposed Accession #</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Notes</b>
	DC-2026-001	Patchwork quilt (wedding quilt)	Donated to the Museum
	DC-2026-002	Gold gilded oval Victorian frame	Donated to the Museum – Plan on displaying a photo of Mary Doty (Gov. Doty’s Daughter) in the frame.
	DC-2026-003	Scythe	Donated to the Museum
FIC-2025-100	DC-2026-004	Large picture frame. 49" long x 44" high Victorian picture frame.	Holds the following tools: FIC-2025-181, 186, 196, 198, 347, 324, 326, 327, 329, 330, 332, 333, 334 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-181	DC-2026-005	Chisel. 7 1/8" long x 7/8" diameter. 1 3/8" chisel tip.	Displayed in frame FIC-2025-100 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-186	DC-2026-006	Blacksmith nippers. 12" length.	Displayed in frame FIC-2025-100 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-196	DC-2026-007	FORD open end box wrench. 11 1/4" Ford script Model A / Model T open end box wrench.	Displayed in frame FIC-2025-100 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-198	DC-2026-008	Water pump wrench for automobile. #109. 9 1/2" long.	Displayed in frame FIC-2025-100 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-347	DC-2026-009	Cobblers lasting pliers "Shoemaker's pliers" 9" long.	Displayed in frame FIC-2025-100 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-324	DC-2026-010	Murrillo pat'd saw set. Saw tooth setter. Adjusts the "set" of a saw's teeth. It bends each tooth of a saw blade slightly away from the blade itself. Operates by squeezing the handles together, which presses a small tongue against the saw tooth.	Displayed in frame FIC-2025-100 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-326	DC-2026-011	Decker's hill ringer. Hog ring plier. Used to apply metal rings, called hung rings, to various materials.	Displayed in frame FIC-2025-100 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-327	DC-2026-012	Stillman patent saw set. A hand held tool used by woodworkers and carpenter's to adjust the teeth of a saw blade. This saw set was patented by Abel Stillman in 1848.	Displayed in frame FIC-2025-100 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-329	DC-2026-013	Wheelwright's traveler. Wheel measuring tool. Used to measure the circumference of circular objects such as wagon wheels and barrels.	Displayed in frame FIC-2025-100 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-330	DC-2026-014	Ball peen hammer. 14.5" long including the shaft of the hammer. One side of the hammer is flat, similar to a standard claw hammer. The other side, known as the "Peen", is rounded or hemispherical and is used for shaping, forming, and hardening metal.	Displayed in frame FIC-2025-100 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-332	DC-2026-015	Butteris. Farrier tool used to trim a horse's hooves before new hooves were installed. The long handle that rests	Displayed in frame FIC-2025-100

		against the farrier's shoulder for leverage and pressure. Blade used to pare the horse's hoof.	To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-333	DC-2026-016	Barrel spigot. Also known as a tap or faucet. Used to dispense liquids from a barrel such as wine, beer or spirits.	Displayed in frame FIC-2025-100 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-334	DC-2026-017	Branding iron with long wooden handle. Looks to be not used or barely used.	Displayed in frame FIC-2025-100 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-435	DC-2026-018	8x10 wooden photo frame with floral pattern around the outside of the frame. Flowers are painted silver.	Holds the following items: FIC-2025-411, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-411	DC-2026-019	Advertising item. 3 3/4" copper square with a broken mirror in the middle. Printed paper in between the copper plate and the mirror states, "J.C. Koelsch Hardware, Paint & Oil Menasha, WI".	Displayed in Frame FIC-2025-435 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-399	DC-2026-020	5" wrought iron nail. Painted silver. Square head.	Displayed in Frame FIC-2025-435 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-400	DC-2026-021	4" wrought iron nail. Rusted. Square head.	Displayed in Frame FIC-2025-435 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-401	DC-2026-022	3" wrought iron nail. Painted silver. Square head.	Displayed in Frame FIC-2025-435 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-402	DC-2026-023	2 1/2" iron nail. Painted silver. Square head.	Displayed in Frame FIC-2025-435 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-403	DC-2026-024	Hand forged nail. 3 1/2" length. 3/8" thick at the head. Tapered to 1/8" thick at the tip.	Displayed in Frame FIC-2025-435 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-404	DC-2026-025	4 1/8" length iron nail. Painted silver. Square head.	Displayed in Frame FIC-2025-435 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-405	DC-2026-026	4 5/8" length iron nail. Rusted. Not painted. Square head.	Displayed in Frame FIC-2025-435 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-406	DC-2026-027	5" length iron nail. Painted silver. Square head.	Displayed in Frame FIC-2025-435 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-407	DC-2026-028	6" length iron nail. Painted silver. Square head.	Displayed in Frame FIC-2025-435 To be used in exhibition
FIC-2025-175	DC-2026-029	1861 American flag. 34 star Grand Luminary flag.	Being framed to be displayed
FIC-2025-099	DC-2026-030	Sapling cutter used to cut pieces for barrel-making specifically for the piece of sampling that is attached around the middle of the barrel, basket, bucket, etc.	On display
FIC-2025-167	DC-2026-031	Side swing hatchet	
FIC-2025-254	DC-2026-032	Rosary necklace	
FIC-2025-045	DC-2026-033	Wrought iron candle holder. L-bracket attaches to the wall and the "leaf" shape holds wax/wick for burning.	

FIC-2025-046	DC-2026-034	Wrought iron candle holder. L-bracket attaches to the wall and the "leaf" shape holds wax/wick for burning.	
FIC-2025-050	DC-2026-035	Rug beater. Wires form a heart-shaped design. Wooden handle.	
FIC-2025-093 A&B	DC-2026-036	(2) andirons.	These have been FIC since at least 1945. We recently found photos from the 40's with these andirons in them.
FIC-2025-056	DC-2026-040	Silver spoon with the image of Doty Cabin on the spoon.	Was previously deaccessioned-fits scope (has Doty Cabin on it). Would like to re-accession.
FIC-2025-447	DC-2026-037	Native American necklace made with reeds (green in color), and small white shells.	Displayed alongside FIC-2025-448 and FIC-2025-449 in a frame.
FIC-2025-448	DC-2026-038	Native American necklace made with long white shells, red, blue, white, pink and black round beads.	Displayed alongside FIC-2025-447 and FIC-2025-449 in a frame.
FIC-2025-449	DC-2026-039	Native American necklace made with one long wood tube bead and many green round beads. There are 3 black beads present. The "thread" seems to be deerskin.	Displayed alongside FIC-2025-447 and FIC-2025-448 in a frame.
FIC-2025-280	DC-2026-042	Stuffed rabbit child's toy.	Found in Collection (in "kid's room") Historically Accurate Re-make - Gifted to Museum
FIC-2025-281	DC-2026-043	Stuffed bear child's toy made of mink.	Found in Collection (in "kid's room") Historically Accurate Re-make - Gifted to Museum
FIC-2025-272	DC-2026-044	Doll quilt. Diagonal squares. Solid blue ends. Multi-color squares in a diagonal direction.	Found in Collection (in "kid's room") Historically Accurate Re-make - Gifted to Museum
FIC-2025-273	DC-2026-045	Doll quilt. Diagonal stripes. Stripes are blue, mauve, green and blue.	Found in Collection (in "kid's room") Historically Accurate Re-make - Gifted to Museum
FIC-2025-274	DC-2026-046	Doll quilt with piecework. Multi-color rectangles and squares fit together to create a long, narrow doll quilt.	Found in Collection (in "kid's room") Historically Accurate Re-make - Gifted to Museum
FIC-2025-275	DC-2026-047	Doll pillowcase. Light blue and sewed closed.	Found in Collection (in "kid's room") Historically Accurate Re-make - Gifted to Museum
FIC-2025-276	DC-2026-048	Doll pillowcase. Pale pink and sewed closed.	Found in Collection (in "kid's room") Historically Accurate Re-make - Gifted to Museum
FIC-2025-282	DC-2026-049	White doll skirt	Found in Collection (in "kid's room")

FIC-2025-271	DC-2026-051	White doll sheet. Has a tag attached	Found in Collection (in "kid's room")
FIC-2025-288	DC-2026-052	Doll dress. White with long sashes to tie around the waist.	Found in Collection (in "kid's room")
FIC-2025-283	DC-2026-050	Clay marbles. Seven clay spheres in a plastic wrapper. Sealed. Not opened.	Found in Collection (in "kid's room")

