



PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – March 19, 2026

Members Present

X	Jim Wise	X	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
X	Kristine Butteris, Superintendent of Recreation
	Trevor Fink, Superintendent of Parks
X	Megan Thompson, Recreation Supervisor
X	Clinton Williams, Parks Supervisor

Others Present: Frank Cuthbert, Gloria Smedema, Becky Heidke-Kwiatkowski, Flo Bruno, Ron Klatt, Mayor Lang, Kelly Nieforth

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY Commissioner Ondresky at 4:30 P.M.

Correspondence

None

Appearances

Ms. Bruno stated that she was in attendance as a representative of Doty Island Community Partners.

Minutes

MSC Galloway/Kelly to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2026, Commission Meeting. All voting aye.

Bill Vouchers

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

Mission Action Report

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

- Parks Supervisor Williams reported that 212 hours were needed to remove snow from the parking lots and trails, and 56 hours were spent at the cemetery. Parks staff contributed 68 hours to the streets department to help remove snow from the storm. Williams further reported that snow removal was 95% complete and that staff will be going back over the parks/trails on Friday to complete cleanup.
 - Commissioner Ondresky reported that her family went to Riverside Park during the snowstorm and had a blast. They even went down the rocket slide.
 - Commissioner Galloway inquired about the Op Rec Spring Break attendance. Recreation Supervisor Thompson felt the Boys & Girls Club has had an impact on our programs.
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Galloway further complimented staff on the Friday/Saturday evening programs and expressed appreciation for the kayak rental opportunities.

- Commissioner Ondresky asked about how we are getting the word out regarding volunteer opportunities. Director Kading indicated that the department will be using the Activity Guide and Facebook to market volunteer events.
- Commissioner Galloway commented that he has seen the volunteer opportunities on the TV in the lobby.
- Commissioner Hillstrom encouraged volunteering for CommunityFest and is looking forward to the Neenah Summer Fun Runs kickoff in a few short months.

BUSINESS FOR CONSIDERATION

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

Director Kading reviewed the list of items to be accessioned into the Doty Cabin Museum inventory.

Commissioner Lawell inquired about the value of these items. Currently, this is not part of the process. We are attempting to address the inventory of items that we have, should have, and need to dispose of. We could choose to complete an appraisal in the future.

Action: MSC Hillstrom/Galloway to grant permission to staff to accession items as listed per policy. All voting aye. Motion Carried.

BUSINESS ITEM #2: Request to Place Monument at Doty Park

Kading introduced the topic and Flo Bruno and Ron Klatt, Doty Island Community Partners representatives, who presented pictures of the cornerstone, stating that the size of the stone is 7x14 x21 and will be placed behind the current “Rosie” statue. The stone is currently located at the Neenah Historical Society. Mr. Klatt has reached out to Pat Fahrenkrug, who has agreed to pay for the cost of cleaning and moving the stone.

- Commissioner Maggio inquired about the phase 1 and 2 portions of the project stating that he was never aware of such.
- Commissioner Wise asked how many kids attended Roosevelt over the years. Mr. Klatt did not know specifically but indicated that over the years, 3 schools existed on the site.
- Commissioner Galloway asked if the plaque on the cornerstone would acknowledge that it came from the Roosevelt School building. Yes, that is correct.
- Commissioner Lawell stated that he would have objected if the statue was not already at the Doty Park site.
- Commissioner Weber stated that as a former student of Roosevelt, he appreciates the preservation and placement.

Action: MSC Hillstrom/Weber to place the 1923 Roosevelt School cornerstone at Doty Park near the “Rosie” statue. All voting aye. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ITEM #3: Arrowhead Update

Director Kading introduced Community Development Director Kelly Nieforth to provide an Arrowhead update. Informational update was provided.

- Commissioner Hillstrom inquired about the storage/warehouse facility outside of Arrowhead. Director Nieforth indicated that the City was working with the firm that developed Solaris.
- Commissioner Hancock-Cooke asked if the City was conducting methane monitoring and commented that she does not expect the Knowles-Nelson grant funding program to be available next year. Nieforth affirmed the methane monitoring and that nothing has been detected within the park or outside of the site. Director Kading noted that he has been in contact with state representatives regarding Knowles-Nelson grant funding and hopes there will be resolution.
- Commissioner Galloway asked about the current timeframe. Nieforth indicated we should hear back from the DNR in the next couple of weeks. We need to continue to work with the DNR to secure the necessary approvals.

BUSINESS ITEM #4: Commission President and Vice President Nominations

Commissioners Lawell/Wise reached out to the Commission to receive recommendations for the officer positions. Commissioner Lawell/Wise nominated Commissioners Ashley Ondresky as President and Eric Maggio as Vice President for 2026-27.

Action: MSC Lawell/Hillstrom to accept the nomination of Ashley Ondresky as President and Eric Maggio as Vice President for 2026-27. All voting aye. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ITEM #5: 2025 CIP Review

Island Park should be considered in the future planning process. Director Kading indicated that this could become a priority through the CORP process.

BUSINESS ITEM #6: Announcements and Future Agenda Items Committee/Commission Appointments – Harbor and Plan

Liaison Reports

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

Harbor Committee: Galloway reported that Ed Wahler will be back conducting the harbor weed cutting.

CORP Task Force: Commissioner Ondresky reported that the kick-off meeting has been scheduled for April 7.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:43 P.M.

Recorded for the Commission by Michael T. Kading, CPRP

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

Current Id #	Proposed Accession #	Description	Notes
	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")

Roosevelt school Memorial phase 2 – 2026

1/ What

- Having the original date cornerstone from the building moved from Neenah Historical Society to be attached to the Roosevelt Memorial statue Rosie. Item related to Roosevelt School.
- Size 21 ½L x 7 ¾D x 14H

2/ Why

- The cornerstone was lying down in Neenah Historical Society yard since the demolition, forgotten and not visible for the public.
- Idea to regroup the elements at the same place to give visitors the chance to see all items related to the Roosevelt School at the same place.

3/ Who

- A community project initiated by DICP (Doty Island Community Partners) and Neenah Historical Society.
- A sponsor: Pat Fahrenkrug (Neenah Historical Society Board president and Kessler-Fahrenkrug owner)

4/ Cost

- **No cost for the City of Neenah**
- Sponsor Pat Fahrenkrug is taking care of the cleaning of the cornerstone at Twin City monument and transportation.
- DICP responsible for the installation on site and the future maintenance.



HOODS POINT NATIONAL 1825-1827

For more information on the history of Hoods Point National, visit our website at www.hoodspointnational.com. The monument was established in 1963 to honor the site of the first settlement of the American people in the Southeast. The site was founded by a group of men who came to the area in 1733 to establish a colony. The settlement was located on the banks of the Altamaha River, which is now a National Park. The site is a National Historic Landmark and is a part of the Georgia State Park System. The monument is a National Historic Landmark and is a part of the Georgia State Park System. The monument is a National Historic Landmark and is a part of the Georgia State Park System.

