

**CITY OF SWISHER, IOWA**  
**JOINT CITY COUNCIL / PARK & RECREATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**JUNE 9, 2025**

Mayor Brian Wernimont called the Joint Swisher City Council / Park and Recreation Board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members Curt Cline, Daryl Hynek, Kody Pudil, Adam Roeder, and Michael Stagg were present. Park & Recreation Board Members Jared Freese, Patty Herman, Adam Hoffmann, Julie Persons, and Amanda Stallman (via zoom) were present. Also present was City Clerk Shelley Annis and members of the Swisher Youth Sports Association (SYSA).

Motion Cline, 2<sup>nd</sup> Roeder to approve the agenda – all aye. Like motion by Freese, 2<sup>nd</sup> Persons – all aye.

Parks & Recreation Chairperson Persons reported that a joint meeting of the Council and Parks & Recreation Board was held in September 2024 to discuss Castek Park maintenance issues. Things got better, but have not been going well this spring. The restrooms were to be inspected and cleaned, and trash cans emptied on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, but have been found unacceptable. Dragging the ball diamond and mowing have not been kept up. SYSA Board member Brittany Brown had communicated with Public Works Superintendent Fields requesting the mowing be done and the diamond be dragged by Fridays since games are held on Saturday morning, unless Thursdays work better. Council member Pudil does not feel dragging the diamond is the solution due to the diamond being so compacted and hard. An estimate to replace the diamond infield surface was provided at \$20,000. Parks & Recreation would like a schedule of these tasks set and stuck to. Council agrees that restrooms and trash should be checked and cleaned every Friday, or Thursday if no staff is available on Friday. Mayor Wernimont will communicate this. Park Board member Stallman communicated with Public Works Superintendent Fields to order paint through the grant, which requires certain paint that can be purchased through an existing city vendor, towards the end of fall for benches, restroom, and concession doors. Paint is being ordered for the outside of the restrooms now. Council member Cline asked about bids for the new pavilion. Park Board member Herman is waiting for one more bid. The pavilion was budgeted into FY2026. SYSA member Brown wished to remind of the need for an electrical outlet to be installed for the pitching machine. Board member Herman had presented both the Parks Board and Council a list of several items needing addressed in Castek Park and questioned if the fence toppers had been ordered. Clerk Annis received a quote for the toppers that will need Park Board and Council approval and is an item on this agenda. Park Board member Freese reminded that at the last joint meeting there was talk about leveling up the ground to cement at pavilions and benches. Council member Roeder reported that with the parking lot project at Castek Park there will be dirt available for Public Works employees to fill these areas.

Motion Persons, 2<sup>nd</sup> Freese to recommend Council approve the purchase of fence toppers from Life Time Fence for \$1,610 – all aye. Motion Pudil, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cline to approve the purchase of fence toppers from Life Time Fence for \$1,610 – all aye.

Motion Roeder, 2<sup>nd</sup> Pudil to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m. – all aye. Like motion by Freese, 2<sup>nd</sup> Persons – all aye.

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Shelley Annis, City Clerk