



**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M.
LOCATION: LOOSE SENIOR CENTER, 707 NORTH BRIDGE ST. LINDEN, MI 48451**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the City of Linden Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order by Chairperson Dietz at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held within Loose Senior Center located at 707 North Bridge Street, Linden, MI 48451.

ROLL CALL

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Aaron Wiens, Mike Dietz, Sadie Kosin, Elizabeth Armstrong, Heidi Fletcher

ABSENT: Larry Allen, Stephanie Shaw

OTHERS PRESENT: None

(A) Excuse Absent Member(s)
Dietz excused Allen and Shaw.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Fletcher, second by Armstrong to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(A) April 16, 2026 Special Meeting
Motion by Fletcher, second by Armstrong to approve the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

Assistance was requested by the city for the Memorial Day Picnic at 9:30AM, May 25, at the Linden Community Center.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion Only.

Wiens: Fly fishing event was successful - about 17 people participated.

Fletcher: Kite flying was successful - about 35 participated

Kosin: The Little Explorers event is scheduled for June 18th. Flyers will go out by Tuesday, May 26, 2026. New signs may be needed as the 2025 signs have yet to be located. Kosin was waiting to hear back from the city.

Dietz: The bat event with GDL and contracted with Seven Ponds is scheduled for July 16.

Kosin: The second Little Explorers event is scheduled for August 6, but its development is still in early stages.

Dietz: Senior kayaking is scheduled for September 17. Allen is looking into MTA shuttle services for participants.

Armstrong: Gilmore Girls is currently scheduled for September 17, but an alternate date is being considered as Armstrong has a family event out of state at that time. Dietz will follow up with Allen regarding potential date changes.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion Only: How effectively are we meeting our objectives and goals?

Dietz: Perhaps we should meet with the Beautification Committee.

Wiens: We'd like to organize a special meeting with Ellen, Don, and the commission to review item by item our P&R objectives, and where we currently are.

Wiens offered to contact city regarding a Sign Up Genius account and a photo release form for future events and marketing.

COMMISSIONER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Fletcher, second by Wiens to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Dietz at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aaron Wiens, Vice President

Approved: _____