



PARK BOARD AGENDA

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

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ADVISORY BOARD MEETING, 6:30 P.M. Council Chambers (televised)

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Public Comment (*sign-in prior to start of meeting per Rules of Decorum*)
4. Setting the Agenda: Addition or Deletion of Agenda Items
5. Approval of Minutes: February 4, 2026
6. Action Items
 - A. CLLL Proposal for Additional Ball Field at Sunrise Park
7. Discussion Items
 - A. New Pheasant Hills Playground Equipment
8. Next Scheduled Park Board Meeting, Wednesday, April 1, 2026

ADJOURNMENT

**CITY OF LINO LAKES
PARK BOARD MINUTES**

DATE:	February 4, 2026
TIME STARTED:	6:30 p.m.
TIME ENDED:	7:12 p.m.
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Clark Gooder, Patrick Huelman, Morgan Ross, Uyanga Bayandalai, Kelly Schmidt, Julie Ann Cutts, Megan Mouser
MEMBERS ABSENT:	
STAFF PRESENT:	Rick DeGardner, Angela Thorson

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Gooder called the Lino Lakes Park Board meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on February 4, 2026.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one present for public comment.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

5. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 5, 2025 MINUTES

Mr. Huelman moved to approve the November 5, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Mrs. Schmidt. Motion carried 3 – 0.

6. ACTION ITEMS

A. Select Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

Mr. Huelman made a motion to nominate Mr. Gooder as the Chair of the Park Board. Mrs. Schmidt seconded. Motion carried 7 – 0. Mrs. Schmidt made a motion to nominate Mrs. Cutts as the Vice Chair of the Park Board. Mr. Huelman seconded. Motion carried 7 – 0.

B. Review Harvest Grange Development Preliminary Plat

DRAFT MINUTES

Mr. Rick DeGardner, Public Services Director, summarizes the Harvest Grange (formerly the Nelson Rehbein Property) is a proposed residential subdivision on approximately 24.55 acres located north of the Nadeau Acres development, west by existing farm fields, north by existing industrial buildings, and easterly along 20th Avenue S.

The site is comprised of three (3) land parcels, one (1) single family home on the southern portion (Nelson's parcel), a wooded swale that runs through the middle of the site that is shown as wetlands within the exhibits, along with the rest of the site as agricultural fields.

Twin Cities Land Holdings, LLC is currently proposing an 86-residential lot subdivision that includes:

1. (31) 60' single-family homes
2. (55) Attached townhomes

The 2040 Comprehensive Plan does not show this area as having a park or trails, and is not within the greenway corridor system. Sidewalks will be constructed throughout the development and connect to the existing neighborhood to the south. A future trail along 20th Avenue S. is proposed when Anoka County conducts a street reconstruction project.

Staff recommends that park dedication requirements for the Harvest Grange Development consist of 100% cash dedication.

Mrs. Kristy Cook is in attendance to answer any questions.

Mrs. Schmidt asked Mrs. Cook if this development includes an HOA. Would the HOA plan on adding a clubhouse, park, open space, and other amenities? Mrs. Cook said the townhomes will have an HOA, open space, but no park.

Mr. Huelman inquired whether NorthPointe and Tower Park will service this development and how easy it is to access these parks. Mr. DeGardner replied it will be difficult for bicycles and pedestrians until 20th Avenue is reconstructed.

Mr. Huelman made a motion that we approve the 100% cash dedication. Mrs. Cutts seconded the motion. Motion carried 7 – 0.

C. Review Pine Oaks Development Concept Plan

Mr. DeGardner summarizes the applicant, M/I Homes of Minneapolis/St. Paul, LLC, is proposing 82 single family villa lots in a conservation subdivision. The development is approximately 75 gross acres. It is located northeast of Nature's Refuge North and is called Pine Oaks.

The proposed Pine Oaks development is a continuation of Natures Refuge North with 82 villa homes on 60ft wide lots. The villas provide a life cycle housing option with main-level living and association-maintain yards and snow removal.

Wetlands, buffers, stormwater ponds, and borrow areas are integrated throughout the development creating approximately 55 acres (73%) of open space.

Per the City's 2040 Parks, Greenways and Trails Plan, this development is within the Arena Acres and Wollan Park service areas. Arena Acres is a smaller 1-acre neighborhood park. Wollan Park is an 18-acre open space wetland and not an active park. Lino Lakes Elementary School also serves as the neighborhood park.

Staff Recommendations:

1. Trails and sidewalks shall be incorporated throughout the development.
2. Extend the existing trail in Natures Refuge North to Wollan Park.
3. Recommend a 100% cash dedication in lieu of dedicating land for a neighborhood park. The cash dedication could be utilized for trails, providing leisure opportunities at Lino Lakes Elementary, and making enhancements to Arena Acres Park and Wollan Park.

Mrs. Emily Becker from MI Homes is attending to answer any questions.

Mrs. Schmidt recommends the 100% cash dedication funds, as there are other parks near this development the residents can access.

Mr. Huelman asked Mrs. Becker what the demographic looks like for this development. Mrs. Becker replied it's geared toward an older demographic.

Mr. Huelman made a motion that we recommend 100% cash dedication. The cash dedication could be utilized for trails, providing leisure opportunities at Lino Lakes Elementary, and making enhancements to Arena Acres Park and Wollan Park. Mrs. Cutts seconded the motion. Motion carried 7 – 0.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Email requesting new playground equipment for Arena Acres Park

Resident Lori Anderson emailed Mr. DeGardner in regard to replacing Arena Acres Park on the list for new playground equipment in the near future.

Mrs. Schmidt stated she would place the Arena Acres Park in the 2027 budget discussion due to having the budget finalized for 2026.

Mr. Gooder stated to keep in mind the basketball court and small shelter. Should those amenities also be updated?

Mrs. Schmidt stated if the Pine Oak development goes through, we could use that cash dedication to update the Arena Acres Park in 2026 or 2027. If the development doesn't go through, we are still in discussion about what parks will be updated in 2027. Would like to add the Arena Acres Park in the 2027 budget discussion.

Mr. Gooder would like to wait to see what the dedicated funds will be before any decisions are made.

Mrs. Schmidt recommends placing Arena Acres Park back on the agenda when the 2027 planning process starts.

Mrs. Schmidt inquired about City Hall Park and the new Public Works Building. Mr. DeGardner discussed the timeline for the Public Works Building and stated one ball field and the hockey rink will be eliminated.

8. NEXT SCHEDULED PARK BOARD MEETING - Wednesday, March 4, 2026

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Cutts moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Mrs. Mouser. Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Angela Thorson, Public Services Administrative Assistant

**PARK BOARD
STAFF REPORT
AGENDA ITEM 6.A.**

STAFF ORIGINATOR: Rick DeGardner, Public Services Director

MEETING DATE March 4, 2026

AGENDA ITEM: CLLL Proposal for Additional Ball Field at Sunrise Park

INTRODUCTION

There are currently 4 youth ball fields at Sunrise Park. Centennial Lakes Little League (CLLL) is proposing the construction of an additional field.

BACKGROUND

Concept plans and background information were not submitted by February 26, so staff was not able to provide any specific comments pertaining to this proposal. However, staff has developed a list of items for Park Board consideration:

- Any additional impervious surface may trigger water quality requirements.
- Any project that disturbs over an acre of soil requires an NPDES permit.
- Staff should review any proposed tree removals.
- This general area has been used by Centennial Soccer Club for practices in the spring and summer, and Centennial football in the fall.
- There are approximately 128 parking spaces. Need to verify whether additional parking is needed for a fifth ball field. City ordinances require hard surfacing such as asphalt or concrete. Gravel is not permitted.
- Need a breakdown of estimated costs.
- What financial commitment does CLLL have, and what amount of funding is needed from the City?
- An additional field would create additional impacts to the neighborhood. Area residents should have an opportunity to comment on any expansion of Sunrise Park.

Mr. Pat Mahr, President of CLLL will attend the March 4 Park Board meeting to present the proposal.

RECOMMENDATION / REQUESTED DIRECTION

If the Park Board is supportive, a formal site plan review would need to be prepared and submitted. Planning Department staff would evaluate factors including required setbacks, stormwater management, tree impacts and mitigation, parking requirements, etc.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Sunrise Park Aerial

SUNRISE PARK



**PARK BOARD
STAFF REPORT
AGENDA ITEM 7.A.**

STAFF ORIGINATOR: Rick DeGardner, Public Services Director

MEETING DATE March 4, 2026

AGENDA ITEM: New Pheasant Hills Playground Equipment

INTRODUCTION

The Pheasant Hills Playground equipment (originally installed in 1996) is scheduled to be replaced this Spring.

BACKGROUND

Parks Department staff will take care of the removals of the existing equipment, border, and pea gravel. The configuration of the play area will be slightly enlarged with new concrete edging installed by the Parks Department. A certified playground installer will assist the Parks Department with the installation.

Attached is a colored rendering of the project.

The Shenandoah Park playground, originally installed in 1998, is also scheduled to be replaced Fall, 2026

RECOMMENDATION / REQUESTED DIRECTION

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

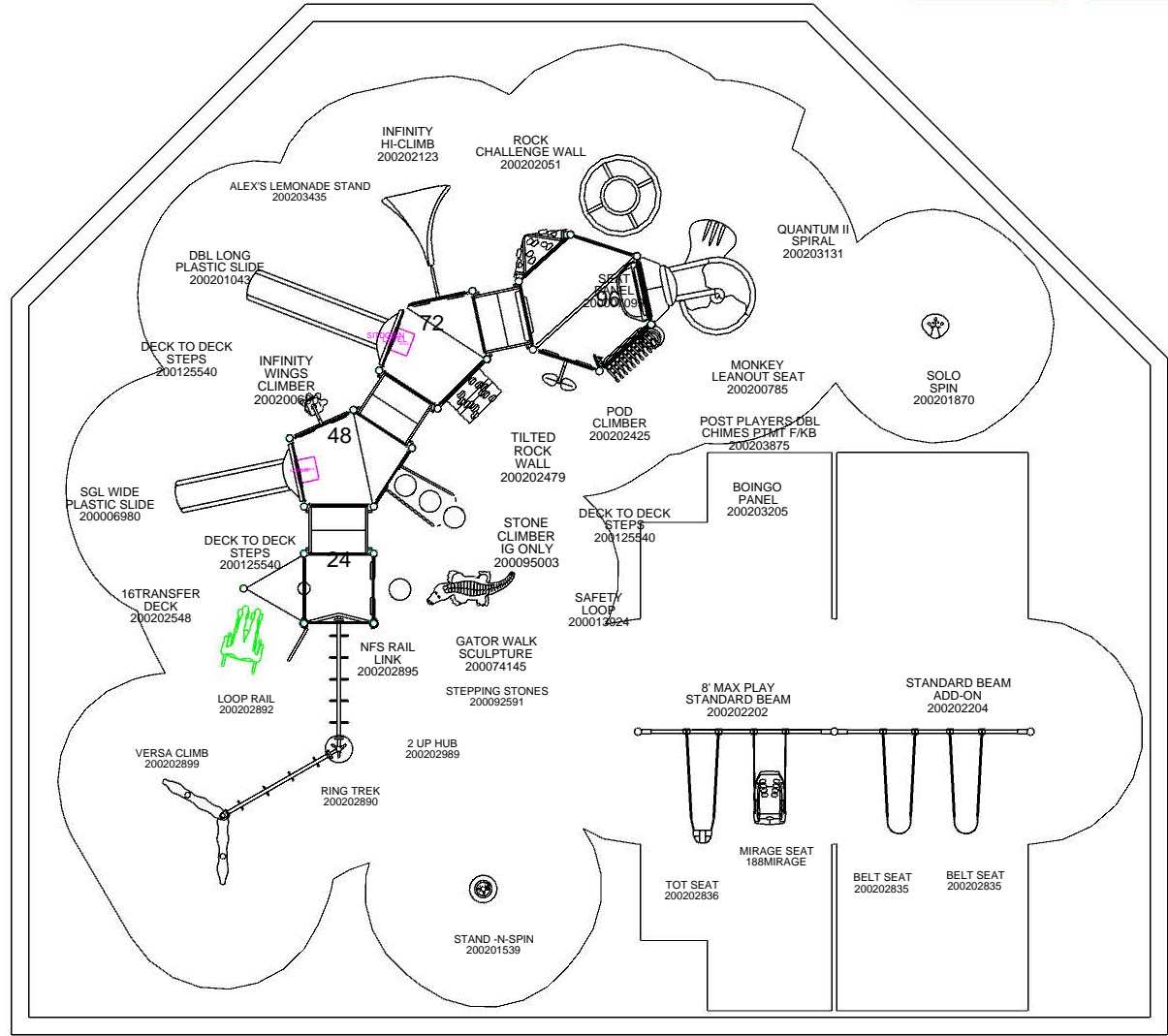
1. Pheasant Hills Equipment Renderings

GENERAL NOTES

AGE GROUP

2-5YRS 5-12YRS 2-12YRS 13YRS

1. THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) MAY REQUIRE THAT YOU MAKE YOUR PARK AND/OR PLAYGROUND ACCESSIBLE WHEN VIEWED IN ITS ENTIRETY. PLEASE CONSULT YOUR LEGAL COUNSEL TO DETERMINE IF THE ADA APPLIES TO YOU.
2. FOR PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT TO BE CONSIDERED ACCESSIBLE ACCESSIBLE SURFACING MUST BE UTILIZED IN APPLICABLE AREAS.
3. ALTHOUGH A PARTICULAR PLAYGROUND DESIGN MY NOT MEET THE PROPOSED ACCESS BOARD REGULATIONS IN REGARDS TO THE APPROPRIATE NUMBER OF GROUND LEVEL EVENTS THE ACTUAL PLAYGROUND MAY BE IN COMPLIANCE WHEN CONSIDERING EXISTING PLAY COMPONENTS.
4. ALL DECK HEIGHTS ARE MEASURED FROM TOP OF GROUND COVER.
5. FALL ABSORBING GROUND COVER IS REQUIRED UNDER AND AROUND ALL PLAY EQUIPMENT.
6. THE MINIMUM RECOMMENDED FALL ZONE AROUND THE ENTIRE PLAYSTRUCTURE IS SHOWN. THIS ZONE IS TO BE FREE OF ALL TRIPPING OR COLLISION HAZARDS (I.E. ROOTS ROCKS BORDER MATERIAL ETC.).
7. ALL POST LENGTHS ARE IDENTIFIED BY TEXT SHOWING THE POST LENGTHS I.E. .96 REPRESENTS A 96 INCH POST.
8. NOT ALL EQUIPMENT MAY BE APPROPRIATE FOR ALL CHILDREN. SUPERVISION IS REQUIRED.



AGE GROUP: 5-12_ASTM

ELEVATED PLAY ACTIVITIES - TOTAL:	11	REQD 6
ELEVATED PLAY ACTIVITIES ACCESSIBLE BY TRANSFER:	11	REQD 6
ELEVATED PLAY ACTIVITIES ACCESSIBLE BY RAMP:	0	REQD 0
GROUND LEVEL ACTIVITY TYPE:	7	REQD 3
GROUND LEVEL QUANTITY:	11	REQD 4

PROJECT:
 Pheasant Hills Park
 Lino Lakes, MN

LTCPS REP:
 Jason Eddy
 NORTHLAND RECREATION LLC
 651-328-0808

GROUND SPACE: 50'-6" x 43'
 PROTECTIVE AREA: 62'-6" x 55'-6"

DRAWN BY: Jason Eddy
 DATE: 02/03/2026
 PROJECT: 25020713

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PLAYGROUND LAYOUT COMPLIANCE:

- ASTM F1487 - PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR PUBLIC USE
- CPSC HANDBOOK FOR PUBLIC PLAYGROUND SAFETY

THIS PLAYGROUND DESIGN MEETS THE FINAL ACCESS BOARD REGULATION.



THE PLAY COMPONENTS IDENTIFIED IN THIS PLAN ARE IPEMA CERTIFIED. THE USE AND LAYOUT OF THE COMPONENTS CONFORM TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF ASTM F1487.















