



**CITY OF WALLED LAKE
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2025**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:55 p.m.

PLEDGE TO FLAG

ROLL CALL: Johnson, O'Rourke, Linihan, Fernandes

ABSENT: Arnold, Robertson

OTHERS PRESENT: Assistant City Manager Jaquays, DPW Superintendent Ladd,
Mayor Ackley

REQUESTS FOR AGENDA CHANGES: NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**P&R 08-01-25 APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 9, 2025 PARKS AND RECREATION
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Linihan, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the
June 9, 2025 Parks and Recreation meeting minutes.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

DISCUSSION:

1. 2025 Market Place Update

Assistant City Manager Jaquays reported on the multiple events that the Market Place has hosted this season. Ms. Jaquays said the Summer Kick-Off event was held on June 11 and featured 37 produce, artisan, and informational vendors. Ms. Jaquays said there was live music, a storytime reading by the Walled Lake Library, and free popsicles sponsored by Katie Jones State Farm. Ms. Jaquays said the Kids Festival was held on July 16 and featured 34 produce, artisan, and informational vendors. Ms. Jaquays said a new addition to this year's Kids Festival was the inclusion of kid vendors, anyone 18 years or younger was offered a free booth space. Ms. Jaquays said 13 kids participated at the event. Ms. Jaquays said the Market Place partnered with the Home Depot to offer free take home crafts, the Library hosted a storytime, there was music, inflatables, and Katie Jones State

Farm sponsored free custard. Ms. Jaquays said the next event is scheduled for August 20th for the Back to School event. Ms. Jaquays said last week the market celebrated National Farmers Market Week. Ms. Jaquays said on average the market includes about 21 vendors. Ms. Jaquays listed a few products and services that the Market provides to the community. Ms. Jaquays said there are 12 markets remaining this season. Ms. Jaquays thanked the Department of Public Works for preparing the campus on Tuesdays ahead of Market Day. Ms. Jaquays said City Staff purchased two new tents for the Market Place, which can be multi-purpose for other City functions. Ms. Jaquays said we continue to advertise market activities on Facebook and Instagram.

Chairman O'Rourke said that is great to hear about the kid vendors. Mr. O'Rourke asked if the knife sharpening vendor was from Farmington Hills?

Ms. Jaquays said this is the vendor's first time participating at the market and is also at the Wolverine Lake Farmers Market.

2. Walled Lake Summer Festival & Fireworks Event After-Action Report

Ms. Jaquays said there were no major incidents or issues during or after the event. Ms. Jaquays thanked the Walled Lake Civic Fund for sponsoring the firework display and Casey's of Walled Lake for sponsoring the beer tent and all the various local businesses that contributed to the firework show. Ms. Jaquays said the event was well attended.

3. Summer Concerts Update

Ms. Jaquays said the Electric Flower Company performance was cancelled due to inclement weather and has been rescheduled to next week for a bonus concert. Ms. Jaquays said the change in scheduling has been updated on the City's website. Ms. Jaquays reported on the other summer concerts.

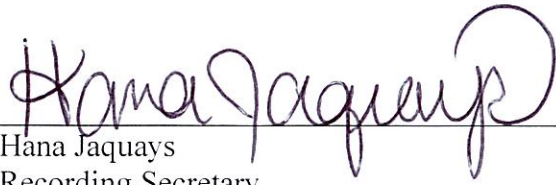
Discussion was held on relocating the Summer Concert events to the Public Safety Campus and staging options.

Mr. Linihan said he has stopped by a few of the Summer Concerts and said that they were well attended with great music, quality entertainment.

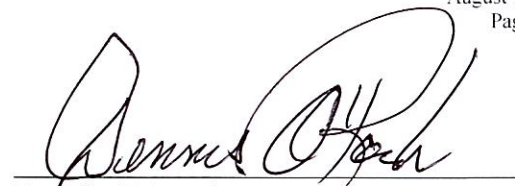
Ms. Fernandes said it was a great idea to consider a different location for the Summer Concerts.

P&R 08-02-25 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8: 10 PM



Hana Jaquays
Recording Secretary



Dennis O'Rourke
Chairman