Rochester Board of Park Commissioners - The Park Board

Mission Statement

The Park Board will oversee the park system & services for recreational & leisure enjoyment, as developed & gifted by past generations, for current & future generations of residents & visitors by:

- preserving and enhancing city parkland, facilities, green space & natural resources;
- promoting healthy lifestyles and sense of community;
- providing policy direction to the Park & Recreation Department management.

Organizational Structure

The seven member Park Board, as defined by City Charter, oversees the Park & Recreation Department. The members represent each of the six city wards, a seventh at large member serves as president of the Board. All members are appointed by the Mayor of Rochester and ratified by the Common Council. They serve four year terms and no more than two consecutive terms.

Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 4:30 p.m.

Member Responsibilities

- exercise policy direction for the management of all the parks and parkways of the city;
- ensure recreational & leisure services are provided for residents & visitors;
- serve as liaison for residents in our respective wards;
- review & approve department annual budget;
- review & approve all direct expenditures, from the park funds, for the maintenance & improvement of parks & parkways.

Appointment Requirement

Must be a resident of Rochester & the Ward they represent.

For Further Information Contact

The Park & Recreation Department, current Park Board members, or the Mayor's Office.