

RIVERFRONT IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION MEETING

CITY OF DAVENPORT, IOWA

Tuesday, March 24, 2026; 5:00 PM

City Hall | 226 West 4th Street | Council Chambers

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes  
Approval of minutes from the February 24 meeting
- III. Finance
  1. Financial Report
- IV. Leases
- V. Old Business
- VI. New Business
- VII. Staff Report
- VIII. Parks Advisory Board Report
  1. PAB Staff Report
- IX. Public with Business
- X. Adjournment | Next Meeting: 5:00 pm, April 28, 2026

City of Davenport

Department: Community & Economic Development

Contact Info: |

Subject:

Approval of minutes from the February 24 meeting

**Action / Date**

**3/24/2026**

Attachments:

1. Minutes 2.24.26



**Riverfront Improvement Commission**  
Minutes  
February 24, 2026

**Present:** Andrea Olson, Mary Pruess, Bill Churchill, Scott Pettis, Dale Gilmour, Dan Darland, Angela Stone, Gwendolyn Lee, Paul Reinartz, Kelli Grubbs.

**Others Present:** Christopher Meyer, Parks Advisory Board Liaison, Alderman Kyle Gripp, Hanna Whitehurst, City Administration, representatives from Lindsay Park Yacht Club, representatives from Lake Davenport Sailing Club.

**Absent:** (2 vacant positions of this 11-person Commission)

Chair Darland called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Darland asked for approval of the minutes from the January 27, 2026 meeting. Grubbs motioned to approve the minutes; Churchill seconded. The motion was approved.

Finance

There was a question as to why the cash balance appears to be increasing, with nearly a \$150k difference from January 2025 to January 2026.

Leases

An Amendment to Lease with Antonella's (located in Suite 5 at the Freight House) was reviewed. A City CIP window replacement project is moving into the north wall phase and will disrupt/prohibit the operation of Antonella's kitchen for a period of roughly two weeks. As such, the proposed amendment would reduce the March rent by half. Churchill made a motion to approve and Grubbs seconded. The motion passed.

**Lindsey Park Yacht Club Presentation** (Kris Clements, Jeremy Richard, Ruth Bloom)

This is the annual report out - dock repairs, Club membership, & lease terms discussed

**Lake Davenport Sailing Club Presentation** (Don Allenbach)

Desire a longer-term (20 yr) lease to allow grants/financing for Club improvements

Old Business

**Former Levee Inn** - reviewed informal potential costs by end use options and discussed available funding and strategy. With previous allocation of \$25k in RIC funding, there was consensus to now hire A&E firm to get firmer costs in terms of power, water, sewer, and other improvements to allow it to function for at least use as concession that would offer ice cream, hot chocolate. Also discussed potential grants.

**2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Union Station** - Olson reported that the Farmer's Market is interested, though their concept would ideally need the entire Union Station building to flourish.

Olson also reported on a new prospect to the City with interest in the Oneida Landing area and possibly other locations.

No **New Business** or **Staff Report** at this meeting.

Parks Advisory Board Report

Meyer shared updates from the February PAB, noting that the Trails Committee is reviewing current maintenance needs of the trail system, and new signage is starting to be installed.

With no further business, Darland adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

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Mary Pruess, Secretary

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Financial Report

Recommendation:

Background:

Attachments:

1. March Report - FY 2026 RIC CASH

**RIC CASH BALANCE  
FISCAL YEAR 2026**

July	293,134.82
August	292,053.37
September	254,193.58
October	300,376.03
November	312,190.68
December	335,228.29
January	348,387.12
February	345,639.92
March	
April	
May	
June	

**RIC CASH BALANCE  
FISCAL YEAR 2025**

July	246,168.70
August	221,881.19
September	184,996.12
October	173,619.13
November	187,770.45
December	203,518.15
January	207,610.27
February	216,417.69
March	233,891.36
April	257,498.17
May	274,898.25
June	313,086.18 *

\*Unaudited cash balance as of 6/30/2025

# Park and Recreation Advisory Board

## March 2026

### Staff Report

Primary focus for March PAB meeting is a presentation/game show “Who Takes Care of That?” to give more information about the city services within our department and outside our department as well as how we work with community groups.

- Davenport Parks and Recreation is heavily focused on hiring of seasonal positions for the spring and summer in all divisions – Park Operations and Horticulture, Recreation and Golf Operations. Interested candidates can apply online at [davenportiowa.com/parks](http://davenportiowa.com/parks) then click on the Working with Parks & Recreation link from the menu.
- Park Operations staff will begin de-winterizing of all water features (drinking fountains, restrooms, fountains) throughout the park system the week of March 30 (weather dependent). Lindsay Park, Centennial Park, are scheduled for the week of April 6 while LeClaire Park, Dillon Fountain, Quinlan Court, and K-Square are scheduled for the week of April 13.
- Horticulture team is propagating flowers for installation in flower beds throughout the city including Dillon Fountain and Centennial Park
- The department is hosting Kites on the River Day, Saturday, April 26 at Centennial Park 12PM-2PM. Learn more at [davenportiowa.com/familyfun](http://davenportiowa.com/familyfun).
- The Parks and Recreation offices and facilities (except The River’s Edge) will be closed Friday, April 3 in observance of Good Friday.
- The River’s Edge ice arena will be closed Sunday, April 5 in observance of Easter Day holiday.