

Proposed Amendment:

Amend the policy to add the following:

1. classifications to the renaming process in the order of priority as highlighted below.
2. Existing parks to be renamed should weight neighborhood feedback through an action determined by the Parks & Recreation Department renaming committee.

City of Stevens Point: <https://stevenspoint.com/Archive/ViewFile/Item/1548>

Selection Criteria

A. For location, such as the name of an adjacent street or the related plat or subdivision.

B. For a geologic, geographic, historical, botanical, horticultural or scientific feature inherent to the area.

C. To honor a person or groups:

1. When a major donation has been made to the City for a park/facility wherein the donor stipulates a name as being a consideration of a donation, and donation is deemed suitable for recreational purposes, the Parks Commission shall make a recommendation to the Common Council as to accepting or rejecting such an offer.
2. An organization, business, or group for whom a park/facility is to be named should meet the following criteria:
 - a. It should not be political or religious in nature unless it has had a unique and important place in the area's history.
 - b. It should be a local organization, business, or group, unless if a non-local group, it has performed some outstanding service for the area.
 - c.

D. To show gratitude to an individual:

When it seems appropriate to name a park/facility in honor of a person, it should be one who has made a major contribution to the community and/or has been instrumental in acquiring the area, and will be subject to the discretion of the Parks Commission.

E. Classifications - These classifications are in order of priority.

Places and Features

1. Natural phenomenon
2. Recognizable area or neighborhood
3. Descriptive
4. Horticultural, zoological, environmental
5. Assumed name (commonly used name)

Historic Events

1. Battles
2. Discoveries
3. Explorations
4. Community development

Organizations

1. Civic
2. Veterans
3. Fraternal
4. Other

Person's Name

1. Large donors
2. Historical groups
3. Local hero
4. National hero
5. National official
6. State official
7. Local official
8. Local individual(s)

Great Ideas or Causes

1. Ecological
2. Friendship
3. Independence
4. Peace