

**Village of Holmen
Park, Recreation, and Library Committee
Meeting Minutes - Wednesday, August 6, 2025**

Committee Chair Wyss called the Holmen Park, Recreation, and Library Committee meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. on August 6, 2025 at Holmen Village Hall.

Present: Micah Wyss, Dawn Kulcinski, Sam Kube, Chris McArdle-Rojo, Chris Geary, Alex Inglett, Scott Heinig

Absent:

Guests: Patrick Barlow

Motion by Kulcinski, second by Kube to approve the minutes of the July 2, 2025 meeting. Carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None.

Library Director's monthly report: McArdle-Rojo informed the committee the Holmen Library had a great summer with record numbers. She will provide those exact numbers next month. She also stated the building is holding up very well. McArdle-Rojo mentioned the library will be closed on Saturday, August 16 due to Kornfest. Kube asked why several of the computers seemed to be out of order often. McArdle-Rojo answered that the current Windows 13 program and the library's lockdown software have not been working well together, but the County IT Department is working on a solution.

The committee reviewed preliminary 2026 capital requests and substantial supply items for the Holmen Library. McArdle-Rojo discussed three small sections of the parking lot that may need to be grassed or concreted in. The committee discussed putting grass in two of the larger spots and using a type of decorative concrete for the third.

Park and Recreation Director's monthly report:

Recreation: Director Geary informed the committee that most summer programs have ended for the summer with the exception of the day camp which will wrap up later this month. He also mentioned that the Kornfest men's softball tournament will occur later this month and has the maximum number of teams registered. Geary shared the fall/winter activity guide with the committee and mentioned fall and winter program registration has begun.

Parks: Director Geary informed the committee Kornfest will begin setting up on August 11. He also went through the remaining Concerts in the Park dates that will conclude on August 31.

Aquatic Center: Geary stated the aquatic center will be home to both the youth logrolling tournament on August 9 and the Kids Carnival on August 13. He concluded by informing the committee the pool will close for the season on August 17.

The committee reviewed preliminary 2026 capital requests for parks, recreation and aquatics. Geary presented a list of priorities, contingency/emergency items, community requests, and future needs.

Other Business: Wyss asked if the department had a long-term plan for the extra acquired space in Halfway Creek Park. Geary answered there was discussion of a small playground being put in, but nothing for the immediate future has been discussed. Kube asked if there were plans for any type of park in the new Herb and Iris development. Heinig answered there would be a 2.5 acre dog park going in later this year or in 2026.

Motion by Kulcinski, second by Kube to adjourn at 6:16 p.m. Motion carried.

Alex Inglett
Asst. Park & Recreation Director