

**Village of Holmen  
Park, Recreation, and Library Committee  
Meeting Minutes - Wednesday, January 8, 2025**

Committee Chair Wyss called the Holmen Park, Recreation, and Library Committee meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. on January 8, 2025 at Holmen Village Hall.

**Present:** Micah Wyss, Dawn Kulcinski, Sam Kube, Chris Geary, Alex Inglett

**Excused:** Chris McArdle-Rojo

**Guests:** Patrick Barlow

Motion by Kulcinski second by Kube to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2024 meeting. Carried unanimously.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Library Director's monthly report:** None.

**Park and Recreation Director's monthly report:**

**Recreation:** Director Geary informed the committee that several winter programs are in progress including: adult volleyball and youth indoor soccer. Geary also told the committee that Impact volleyball registration has started. Geary went on to say that several programs will be starting soon including cake decorating classes and youth basketball. Geary mentioned that the spring and summer brochure is being prepared for distribution and the spring soccer program will open for registration this month.

**Parks:** Geary stated park shelter reservations opened on January 2, 2025 and 39 reservations were taken in the first two days. Geary also informed the committee that the ice rink was flooded on January 6<sup>th</sup>, however, the ice was cracked by several kids before it had completely frozen through. Geary said that park staff will assess the damage and try to fix it. Director Geary informed the committee that the summer Concerts in the Park lineup is almost complete. He told the committee once it is complete and sponsors are confirmed, posters will be printed and distributed in the community.

**Aquatic Center:** Geary informed the committee that re-hire inquiries will be sent out this month to last year's pool staff.

The committee reviewed possible action and recommendation on the donation of a tree in Whispering Pines Park. Director Geary informed the committee that a resident who had resided on Dana Ln. had passed away, and his sister wanted to donate a tree in his honor to be planted in Whispering Pines Park. He told the committee that she was not particular about the type of tree or the location of it within the park. Kulcinski asked if a plaque was going to be put near the tree. Geary answered that no plaque had been discussed, and the department had never done a plaque for a tree donation in the past. Kube asked if the department will source the donated tree. Geary answered that the parks staff will purchase and plant the tree. Motion by Kube, second by Kulcinski to recommend to the Board the approval for a donation of a tree to Whispering Pines Park provided that the tree species is decided by Village staff, the planting and care of the tree is done by Village staff and the tree is paid for by the donor.

**Other Business:** Kube thanked the committee for being so welcoming. Wyss asked who was running the Little Sled Library in Deer Wood Park because it seemed to be overrun with sleds. Geary stated that the Holmen Area Foundation was in charge of it but staff will take a look at it to make sure things are in order and safe for community members.

Motion by Kube, second by Kulcinski to adjourn at 5:23 p.m. Motion carried.

Alex Inglett  
Asst. Park & Recreation Director