

**Village of Holmen
Park, Recreation, and Library Committee
Meeting Minutes - Wednesday, February 2, 2022**

Committee Chairman Wyss called the Holmen Park, Recreation, and Library Committee meeting to order at 5:17 p.m. on February 2, 2022 at the Holmen Village Hall.

Present: Micah Wyss, Travis Elam, Mike Brogan, Chris Geary, Chris McArdle-Rojo

Excused: Dawn Kulcinski

Guests: Patrick Barlow, Eric Berst

Wyss noted there was a name spelling error in the December 1, 2021 minutes that should be corrected. Motion by Wyss second by Elam to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2021 meeting with the correction. Carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Library Director's monthly report: McArdle-Rojo distributed the monthly library report and program guide to the committee. McArdle-Rojo stated face to face Storytime has resumed and both Holmen sessions were full. On 2-22-22 if you check out two or more items from any library location you will get a prize and be entered to win a \$22 gift card from Kwik Trip. Wyss asked if the blood drive was moved, McArdle-Rojo stated the Red Cross made a mistake with the date in their publication.

Park and Recreation Director's monthly report:

Recreation: Brogan stated in progress programs include: youth basketball, adult volleyball league, adult fitness classes, and indoor soccer. Cheerleading begins on February 10th. Impact Volleyball and Spring Soccer registration is in progress. Geary stated Spring and summer brochures are being finalized and will be distributed in early March in the Courier and in schools. Summer registration will begin on March 7th. The hiring of spring/summer recreation employees is in progress. Eric Berst an intern from UW-La Crosse began on 2/1/2022.

Parks: Brogan stated that the December 15, 2021 wind storm caused insurance claim damages to Village Hall facade, Aquatic Center facade, four sun screens on Deer Wood Park backstops, and a set of soccer goals from Countryside Park. Storm damage that was not covered by insurance were two trees in front of the aquatic center and a large tree by the Deer Wood Park sledding hill and trail. Wyss asked how the new pool Funbrellas fared in the storm and Brogan stated were in the down position and there was no damage. The re-scheduled playground design meeting for the three new parks with Lee Recreation, MSA, and Village representatives will be Friday, February 4th at 10am.

Pool: Brogan stated that Matt Kosin just informed us he will not be returning as pool manager in 2022 and he is trying to fill that position as soon as possible. Assistant managers from last year have been contacted to see if they are interested, but we have had no responses yet. Pool job inquiries were sent to 2021 staff with a February 28th deadline to respond if they are returning.

The committee reviewed a quote for the 2022 contract for fertilization and weed control on Village properties. Brogan stated that the quote came from Turf Maintenance and they have taken care of Village properties for the last 19 years and have done a good job over the years and know our properties well. There is a \$3,112.03 (10%) increase from their price from 2021 and 2020 for the same 43.01 acres, due to increased chemical costs. Trustee Wyss inquired if the number of treatments at each site needed any adjustments and Brogan stated the areas with 5 treatments are the higher profile areas or areas that have excessive use or grub problems and Turf Maintenance has adjusted the number of treatments for these reasons and know our property needs well. Wyss inquired about a note on the proposal that states "This proposal is for

budgeting purposes for the 2022 projected costs. These prices are subject to change being dependent on future market increases." and Brogan stated this has been on their contracts for a number of years and they have not raised prices after our approvals. Motion by Wyss second by Elam to recommend to the Board approval of the 2022 fertilization and weed control contract from Turf Maintenance in the amount of \$34,232.33. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Wyss, second by Elam to adjourn at 5:40 p.m. Motion carried.

Mike Brogan
Park & Recreation Director