

**Village of Holmen
Park, Recreation, and Library Committee
Meeting Minutes - Wednesday, August 3, 2022**

Administrator Heinig called the Holmen Park, Recreation, and Library Committee meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on August 3, 2022 at the Holmen Village Hall.

Present: Dawn Kulcinski, Travis Elam, McArdle-Rojo, Mike Brogan, Chris Geary, Scott Heinig

Excused: Micah Wyss

Guests: Joe Zauner

Motion by Kulcinski second by Elam for Kulcinski to serve as committee chair in Wyss's absence. Motion Carried

Motion by Elam second by Kulcinski to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2022 meeting. Carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Joe Zauner stated that he would like to see the library add the Wall Street Journal to the list of subscriptions that they have. Zauner stated that he thought that adding the Wall Street Journal would be beneficial and informational for the community. McArdle-Rojo stated that the Village of Holmen doesn't have anything to do with the subscriptions at the library, they just provide the building. McArdle-Rojo stated that any issues with the subscriptions would have to go before the County. McArdle-Rojo stated that she would pass this request along to the County at the next budget meeting.

Library Director's monthly report: McArdle-Rojo distributed the August 2022 library program information to the committee along with the July 2022 statistics. McArdle-Rojo stated that the 5-year anniversary of the library is coming up on September 11th.

The committee reviewed preliminary 2023 capital requests and substantial supply items for the Holmen Library. McArdle-Rojo stated that light fixtures were going out and need to be fixed but other than that, did not have any capital requests.

Park and Recreation Director's monthly report:

Recreation: Brogan informed the committee that most summer programs have ended and there are only a few still in progress that include: soccer camp, gymnastics, men's softball league, adult volleyball league, adult fitness classes, and Kornfest softball tournament. Brogan stated that the Fall/Winter brochure is being prepared and will be distributed in late-August. Brogan stated that fall and winter program registration is beginning along with the hiring of fall staff.

Parks: Brogan stated that Kornfest setup will begin on August 13th. Brogan informed the committee of the upcoming Concerts in the Park: August 7th – B-Sides-S, August 14th – Cat & the Fiddle, August 21st – Kornfest, August 28th – Daddy's Girls, and September 4th – Big Strum.

Pool: Brogan stated that the Holmen Summer Splash Youth Logrolling Tournament will be held on August 13th. Brogan stated that the Kid's Carnival will be held on August 10th. Brogan stated that lifeguard certification and recertification classes have been added in mid-August. Brogan stated that the pool will close on August 21st.

The committee reviewed preliminary 2023 capital requests for parks, recreation and aquatics. Brogan presented a list of priorities, contingency/emergency items, community requests, and future needs.

The committee discussed the possible action and recommendation of the purchase of a Bobcat L85 compact wheel loader. Brogan stated that maintenance staff is looking for something that is versatile, can help with plowing and handle various attachments. Brogan stated that the Bobcat L85 would help with many of the problems that staff has, Brogan stated that Bobcat has one in stock and is not taking any orders in 2023. Brogan stated that the one in stock has been promised to us. Brogan stated that we could trade in our John Deere 5205 tractor and attachments for \$29,500. Kulcinski asked if our current attachments would work with this vehicle. Brogan stated that the Park & Recreation Department and Public Works Department both have attachments that would fit with this vehicle. Heinig stated that

economically, it works to purchase this now and it fits our current needs. Heinig stated that it is a little over our budget, but the cost of the new parks came in a little under budget, so that money could be used to help cover the cost of the Bobcat L85. Motion by Elam, second by Kulcinski to recommend to the Board approval of the purchase of the Bobcat L85 and 10' snow pusher from Bobcat in the amount of \$65,779.00. Motion Carried.

Motion by Kulcinski, second by Elam to adjourn at 6:29 p.m. Motion carried.

Chris Geary
Asst. Park & Recreation Director