Chairman Wyss called the Holmen Park, Recreation, and Library Committee meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on November 2, 2022 at the Holmen Village Hall.

Present: Micah Wyss, Dawn Kulcinski, Travis Elam, Mike Brogan

Excused: Chris McArdle-Rojo, Chris Geary

Guests: None

Motion by Kulcinski, second by Elam to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2022 meeting. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Library Director’s monthly report: No report. Brogan stated McArdle-Rojo provided a November program flyer and that staff were delighted with the Trick or Treat at the Library event on October 26 and hopes Chris Geary continues the event in the future. Kulcinski inquired about having some events like the murder mystery program that was held at the La Crosse Library.

Park and Recreation Director’s monthly report:
Recreation: Brogan informed the committee of the recently completed programs which include: youth volleyball, flag football, cake/cookie decorating classes, middle school cheer clinic, session #1 of adult fitness classes, and the Halloween Trick or Treat at the Library. Brogan informed the committee of the programs that are currently in progress or coming up which include: Lego League, Ballroom Dancing, Adult Co-Rec Volleyball league begins November 2nd, Session 2 adult fitness programs, Thanksgiving Cupcakes class on Nov. 9th, and youth indoor soccer begins Nov. 20th.

Park: Brogan stated that staff is working on winterizing all facilities and equipment. Brogan stated that a bronze recognition plate for Lu and Bruce Pertzsch was installed on a park bench by the library and Halfway Creek trail entrance. Bruce Pertzsch also donated a new tree for Sylvan Park in memory of Lu Pertzsch, funded by a gift certificate from the neighbors of the Pertzsch’s for the purpose of the memorial tree for Lu. Brogan provided a new parks construction update from MSA. Natural Solutions who is installing the engineered wood fiber chips for new playgrounds for Lee Recreation, was contracted by the village to top off all of the other twelve existing playgrounds. Rybold Excavating repaired the Deer Wood Park retention pond culvert washout areas.

Pool: Brogan stated that the Aquatic Center is also being winterized. A replacement fulcrum assembly and hinge assembly were ordered and received the pool diving board. Brogan stated that memberships are available to be purchased for 2023. Brogan shared that the La Crosse Tribune’s Reader Choice Awards named the Holmen Area Aquatic Center as “Best Pool” for 2022 by voters. Brogan provided an updated 2022 aquatic center numbers report as of 11/2/2022.

Other Business:
None

Motion by Elam, second by Kulcinski to adjourn at 5:50 p.m. Motion carried.

Mike Brogan
Park & Recreation Director