Committee Chairman Wyss called the Holmen Park, Recreation, and Library Committee meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on February 1, 2023 at the Holmen Village Hall.

Present: Micah Wyss, Travis Elam, Mike Brogan, Chris Geary, Chris McArdle-Rojo
Absent: Dawn Kulcinski
Guests: None

Motion by Elam second by Wyss to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2022 meeting. Carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Library Director’s monthly report: McArdle-Rojo distributed the February 2023 library program flyer to the committee.

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 7th. Impact Volleyball and Spring Soccer registration is in progress. Geary stated Spring and summer brochures are being finalized and will be distributed in late-February in the Courier and in schools. Summer registration will begin on March 6th. The hiring of spring/summer recreation employees is in progress.

Parks: Brogan stated that Fowler & Hammer has installed the shade shelters at the 3 new parks. Brogan stated that park staff have been assembling picnic tables, benches, garbage containers and bike racks for the new parks and will also be installing them when each park is ready.

Pool: Brogan stated that he ordered 10 replacement Rimflow pool grates for a cost of $4,600.00 to replace some of the grates that are currently broken. Brogan stated that Joah Strauss is still the Aquatic Center manager, but was recently hired by the YMCA as the full-time Aquatics Director. Brogan stated that Strauss is going to try to do both if allowed. Wyss asked Brogan if he was concerned that Strauss would be able to do both jobs successfully. Brogan stated that he was confident in Strauss and that he thought that he learned a lot last year managing the pool. Brogan stated that he will also have several assistant managers on staff to help with all of the day-to-day duties at the pool. Brogan stated that pool staff have until February 28th to indicate if they are returning for 2023.

The committee reviewed a quote for an Eterra Raptor Boom with flail cutter. Brogan stated that this would go with the Bobcat L85 wheel loader and would help with work along the trail and some elevated areas. Brogan stated that it has an enclosed cab and would be much safer for staff. Elam stated that he noticed there was a line-item for a permanent install kit and asked if Public Works would be able to use it if needed. Brogan stated that Public Works should be able to use it if needed. **Motion by Elam second by Wyss to recommend to the Board approval of the purchase of an Eterra Raptor Boom with flail cutter from Bobcat in the amount of $38,400.00. Carried unanimously.**

The committee reviewed a quote for a 2023 Ford F250 truck and snow plow. Brogan stated the truck is built-to-order versus getting everything added after the fact. Elam stated that he thought the number of miles covered on the warranty were low and asked if that was standard. Brogan stated that the warranty was pretty similar to trucks purchased in the past and that the park staff was pretty happy with it. Wyss asked if we would pay for it now or on delivery. Brogan
stated that it would be paid for on delivery. Motion by Elam second by Wyss to recommend to the Board approval of the purchase of a 2023 Ford F250 truck and snow plow from Ewald in the amount of $52,540.00 upon delivery. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Elam, second by Wyss to adjourn at 5:57 p.m. Motion carried.

Chris Geary
Asst. Park & Recreation Director