Committee Chair Stanek called the Holmen Park, Recreation, and Library Committee meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. on May 1, 2019 at the Holmen Village Hall.

Present: Rodney Stanek, Dawn Kulcinski, Brandon Cain, Scott Heinig, Chris McArdle-Rojo, Mike Brogan, Chris Geary

Excused: None

Guests: None

Motion by Cain, second by Kulcinski to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2019 meeting. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Library Director's monthly report: McArdle-Rojo distributed the monthly library statistics report to the committee. McArdle-Rojo stated that the March door count numbers are up from last year and it could be attributed to the Red Cross blood drive that the Library hosted. McArdle-Rojo stated that overdrive numbers have been included on the monthly report that takes into account the digital library items that have been checked out by card holders such as eBooks and audio books. Brogan stated that the windows at the Library will be cleaned in June.

Park and Recreation Director's monthly report:

Recreation: Brogan informed the committee of the recently completed programs which include: winter volleyball league, ballroom dancing, cake decorating classes, high school volleyball league registration, Brewer bus trip tickets, and adult fitness classes, session #1. Brogan informed the committee of the programs that are in progress which include: traveling soccer, Viking soccer academy, and youth track. Brogan informed the committee of the upcoming programs which include: cake decorating classes, adult fitness classes, session #2, men’s softball league, girls traveling softball, adult sand volleyball, Touch A Truck, soccer tournament, paintball outing, Concerts in the Park, and movie night (June 7). Brogan stated that registration continues for all summer programs. Brandon Cain asked about the status of the pickleball courts. Brogan stated that the installation date is still to be determined but will most likely be later in May. Brogan stated that the weather must improve before they can work on the courts. Cain asked about the color of the new courts. Brogan stated that they would be green and pro blue.

Park: Brogan stated that new parks employee, Brett Koball started on April 1st. Brogan stated that the new bike fix-it stations will be installed soon at Halfway Creek Park and Deer Wood Park. Rod Stanek asked who will be doing the concrete work for the fix-it stations. Brogan stated that he could not remember, but it was the same company that did the concrete work at the entry way on the Rotary Shelter. Brogan stated that the Deer Wood Park fence repairs are in progress. Brogan stated that shelter reservations are extremely busy every weekend from now through August. Dawn Kulcinski complemented the department on the trail. Kulcinski stated that she recently took a walk on the trail and was impressed and that it looked gorgeous.

Pool: Brogan stated that Lackore Electric replaced bearings and seals on all pumps and motors at the pool. Brogan stated that staff will begin filling the pool around May 20th. Brogan stated that pool staff orientation is scheduled for May 18 and 19. Brogan stated that lifeguard certification and recertification classes will be offered a week prior to the pool opening. Brogan stated that an additional log for log rolling is being made and will arrive in late-May. Brogan stated that 53 pool staff have been hired which includes 30 lifeguards. Brogan stated that staffing the pool has been going pretty well compared to previous years. Administrator Heinig asked Brogan what he would attribute to the difference in staffing this year. Brogan stated that they have retained many people from the previous year and the fact that the hiring age has dropped to 15. Brogan also mentioned that pool manager, Merissa Larson running a certification class at our pool helps as well. Stanek asked if the age drop to 15 affects the number of hours that they can work. Brogan stated that it doesn’t make a huge difference versus someone that is 16. Brogan stated that the pool will open on June 1st and will close on August 24th. Brogan stated that the last day for reduced pool memberships will be May 17th.
Other Business:
None

Motion by Cain, second by Kulcinski to adjourn at 5:16 p.m. Motion carried.

Chris Geary
Asst. Park & Recreation Director