Committee Chairman Kulcinski called the Holmen Park, Recreation, and Library Committee meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on November 5, 2014 at the Holmen Village Hall.

Present: Dawn Kulcinski, Steve Johnston, Scott Heinig, Mike Brogan, Chris McArdle Rojo
Absent: Chuck Olson (excused), Chris Geary (excused)  Guests: Nic Barnes

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Kulcinski to approve the minutes of the October 2014 meeting. Carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None.

The committee discussed a proposal to replace the mailboxes in front of the Holmen Library with a 13-door cluster mailbox. Brogan provided a list of the thirteen properties involved and the owner’s response to the village purchasing one large mailbox and the owners contributing money to the purchase of the mailbox. Brogan stated eight of the properties were in favor of the proposal and five did not respond. Heinig stated the current arrangement of mailboxes would not be allowed under the village guidelines and is not acceptable. Heinig stated the purchase would be an investment in improving Main and State streets. Johnston instructed staff to meet with the Post Master and try to correct the issues. Motion by Kulcinski, seconded by Johnston to approve the purchase of a 13-door cluster mailbox and all property owners involved will be invoiced $50 per mailbox. Carried unanimously.

Park and Recreation Director’s monthly report
Recreation: Brogan stated that all fall programs have recently ended, these include: Flag Football, Youth Volleyball, Adult Co-rec Softball, Paintball Outing, Fall Fitness Classes, and Halloween Trick-or-Treat in the Park. Nic Barnes (fall intern) was in charge of the Halloween in the Park event and answered committee questions about the new Halloween event. Brogan stated that upcoming November programs include: Adult Co-rec Volleyball, Ballroom Dancing, Youth Indoor Soccer, Adult Fitness Classes, and the Holiday Lights contest begins. Brogan stated that winter recreation staff are being hired and the spring and summer flyer will be completed by the end of December.

Parks: Brogan stated that park staff has been busy with winterizing irrigation systems and facilities. The Viking Youth Soccer Association has installed the base material for the soccer kicking wall at Remington Hills Park.

Aquatic Center: Brogan stated he received an invoice from Kish for $4171.29 which was for many aquatic center repairs from May through August. Repairs included pump drive wiring, wiring chlorine and acid pumps to VFD, changed several burned out security light ballasts to LED, relays to heaters, program VFD to operate on an alarm, and replace plug in relays for interlocks.

Library Director’s monthly report: McArdle-Rojo provided the committee with the October 2014 library usage report, which had a total circulation usage of 8645 and door count of 5686. McArdle-Rojo stated the La Crosse County Library Board is looking for a new representative. Johnston stated he would be interested and McArdle-Rojo will submit his name.

Motion by Johnston, second by Kulcinski to adjourn at 6:08 p.m. Motion carried.

Mike Brogan
Park & Recreation Director