Village of Holmen
Park, Recreation, and Library Committee
Meeting Minutes - Wednesday, August 4, 2010

Committee Chairman Forde called the Holmen Park, Recreation, and Library Committee meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on August 4, 2010 at the Holmen Village Hall. All members were present except Seitz who was excused.

Motion by Forde, seconded by Anderson to approve the minutes of the July 2010 meeting. Carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Michael Brophy, along with family and friends, were present to speak in favor of a handicap accessible playground in Holmen. Brogan stated that Deerwood Park would make a good candidate site for the playground as it is a community park that would fall next in line for renovation or replacement. Ideas that were mentioned included wheelchair accessible play features and ramps, wheelchair swing, poured rubber surface for ground, and the difference between being compliant and truly accessible to those with disabilities. Mr. Brophy stated that there was potential for working with various church and youth groups for funding, and the committee expressed that if funds were available for the project, that long term maintenance would be taken care of by the village.

Library Director’s monthly report: Layland provided the Committee with the June 2010 library usage report. Layland stated that total circulation increased 11% and juvenile circulation increased 14% compared to June of 2009. Layland presented a county library branch comparison report for the committee. Layland shared price quotes for new matching chairs to be considered for the 2011 budget.

The committee reviewed proposals for landscaping work to be performed in front of the library building. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Forde to recommend that the finance and personnel committee review the proposals and funding to make a recommendation. Motion carried.

The committee discussed the status of, and reviewed a quote for furnace replacement from Ziegler Heating for the library building. No action was taken at this time.

Park and Recreation Director’s monthly report:
Recreation: Brogan stated that most youth programs ended in July or first week of August. Brogan stated that programs concluding in August will be Men’s Softball, Adult Volleyball, Arts and Crafts and Kornfest Tournaments. Brogan stated that the Fall and Winter Program Brochure is in production currently. Reinhart stated that new programs for this year will include Middle School Tennis, Holmen Square Run Around 5k, Madden 2011 Tournament, Learn to Skate, and Intro to Guitar. Fall and Winter program registration and staff hiring is upcoming.

Parks: Brogan stated that the village was releasing the final payment for the bandshell to Fowler and Hammer for $32,863.47. Brogan stated that two scoreboard controllers had to be replaced for $600 after being broken during HYBPAI use. Brogan presented a letter of requests for site improvements for Deerwood park form HYBPAI.

Pool: Annual kids’ carnival was held August 4th with excellent attendance. Brogan stated that pool manager Parkhurst will be invited for season report to the September meeting. Brogan presented in progress pool statistics for the season. Brogan stated that the pool will close August 22nd.

The committee reviewed the park reservation form from the Holmen American Legion for use of Halfway Creek Park for its annual Kornfest festival. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Forde to recommend to the Board approval of the Kornfest Event Application, while removing the request for fireworks on the premises. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Forde to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Brad Reinhart
Asst. Park & Recreation Director