Committee Chair Stanek called the Holmen Park, Recreation, and Library Committee meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. on September 5, 2018 at the Holmen Village Hall.

Present: Rod Stanek, Rich Anderson, Brandon Cain, Scott Heinig, Chris McArdle-Rojo, Mike Brogan,
Excused: Chris Geary
Guests: None

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Cain to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2018 meeting. Carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Library Director’s monthly report: McArdle-Rojo gave the Committee the fall programming flyer and the Library monthly statistics report. McArdle-Rojo stated August library usage (circulation 2018: 10,863, 2017: 10,268) is usually lower than the other summer months and 2017 had higher usage due to the “Adopt-A-Shelf” promotion, so they did not have to move as many books when they moved into the new building in August of 2017, which opened on September 11, 2018. McArdle-Rojo stated Stanek got her in contact with a local cabinet maker for possible other options for 2019 budget requested cabinets and shelves.

Park and Recreation Director’s monthly report: Recreation: Brogan distributed the 2018-19 Fall/Winter Recreation brochure to the committee. Brogan stated that the Kornfest softball tournament had 36 teams. Brogan informed the committee of the programs that will begin this week: flag football, youth volleyball, and the co-rec softball league. Upcoming program include: 12 cake decorating classes, 11 adult fitness classes, and Movie Night Under the Stars #3 “Despicable Me 3” on Friday, September 14th. Brogan stated that the WPRA ticket sales ended after last weekend. Brogan informed the committee of the upcoming events at the Halfway Creek Band Shell which include: upcoming concerts: September 9th - Steel Drum Band and September 16th - Shufflin Duprees.

Park: Brogan stated that Oium Asphalt work was slated to begin this week, but rain has delayed their start. Twelve replacement trees were planted in various parks this week and select ash trees (23) were given EAB preventative treatments. Staff are busy with winterizing the pool, shelter rentals, restrooms, trail repairs from the rain, daily field prep/painting for fall programs (football, soccer, softball, baseball), and the grass is growing extremely fast now.

Pool: Brogan stated that the pool closed on August 26th. Christian Strauss will not be returning in 2019 as pool manager. Strauss’s recommendation for new manager is Merissa Larson, who has been an assistant manager the last 2 years and worked at the pool a total of 5 years. Merissa also was just certified as a lifeguard instructor trainer last week, which was paid by the village. Seven fulltime staff will be taking the AFO pool re-certification class and re-test on September 19th. Brogan distributed the year-end report for the pool.

Motion by Cain, second by Anderson to adjourn at 5:22 p.m. Motion carried.

Mike Brogan
Park & Recreation Director