

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FROM 1/17/2022

1. Alderperson Kowalski **called** the Parks and Recreation Committee regular meeting **to order** at 04:00 PM in the [Marinette Council Chambers, 1905 Hall Ave, Marinette WI.](#)
2. **Upon a call of the roll**, the following Committee member's attendance was recorded as follows:
MEMBERS PRESENT: Alderpersons Kowalski, Polzin, Wolfe & Klegin.
ABSENT: Alderperson Keller
OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Genisot, Executive Recreation Director Gavin Scray, Recreation Superintendent Adrienne Lacy, Marketing Director Shawn Katzbeck, Thomas Karban, Kathy Korchak, Alderperson Mikutowski & Oitzinger, Superintendent of Public Works Pat Carlson, Tom Bero, Police Chief LaCombe, Cindy Grabowski, Mary Bauer, Karianne Lesperance & Melissa Ebsch.
3. **Approve minutes of December 20, 2021 meeting.**
Alderperson Polzin moved/Klegin seconded and all concurred to approve as presented the meeting minutes from December 20th, 2021.
4. **Executive Director of Recreation & Events report.**
Executive Recreation Director Scray provided his monthly report for December for the Community REC Center.
5. **Recreation Superintendent report.**
Assistant Recreation Director, Adrienne Lacy provided her monthly report for December. Lacy reported about 206 kids participated in the Jump around Bounce Day held on January 15th.
6. **Public Work's Superintendent Report**
Public Work's Superintendent, Pat Carlson provided his monthly report for December.
7. **Director of Tourism and Marketing report.**
Director of Tourism and Marketing Shawn Katzbeck provided his report that included past and future events for the Community REC Center. Katzbeck added there are about 50 participants registered for the Pickle Ball Tournament on February 4, 5 & 6, and many are from locations outside the City of Marinette.
8. **Discussion and possible action regarding an action plan for Higley Field.**
Executive Recreation Director Scray distributed the Master Plan that the consultants provided. The committee discussed the next steps in moving forward with the new playground equipment and provided pathways to the area it will be installed. Chairperson Kowalski will check with Finance Director Miller for possible funding for the pathways.
9. **Discussion and possible action regarding Duer Gym.**
Executive Recreation Director Scray is working on a list of all non-profit groups and getting the letter ready to review with the City Attorney. No further action was taken.
10. **Discussion regarding City Park campground.**
Superintendent of Public Works Pat Carlson stated the tent sites had to be closed at the end of summer last year due to renters abusing the privileges with leaving garbage and having too many occupants on one site. The committee discussed possible actions to be taken for the tent sites like requiring a deposit and limiting the number of people /tents on a site. No further action was taken.
11. **Presentation by Healthy Youth Coalition.**
Mary Bauer, representing Community that Cares program that works to reduce substance abuse in conjunction with the Healthy Youth Coalition presented risks and hazards with e-cigarettes and vaping, they are asking the City to update the Ordinance to not allow e-cigarettes and vaping in Public parks.
12. **Items for February agenda –**
Discussion and possible action regarding an action plan for Higley Field.

Discussion and possible action regarding Duer Gym.

Discussion regarding City Park Campground.

Discussion and possible action to amend Resolution No. 27-2013 to add e-cigarettes and vaping.

13. **Adjourn.** Alderpersons Klegin moved/Wolfe seconded and all concurred to adjourn at 4:36 PM.

Lana Bero, City Clerk

*(Next regular Parks and Recreation Committee meeting is **Monday 02/21/22 @ 4:00** in the Common Council Chambers).*