

## PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FROM 11/13/2023

1. Committee Chairperson 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, Karban & Klegin.  
**ABSENT:** None  
**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mayor Steve Genisot, Executive Recreation Director Scray, Melissa Ebsch, Alderpersons Oitzinger, Mikutowski & Keller, Recreation Superintendent Lacy, Dan Kitkowski and Director of Tourism and Marketing Katzbeck.
3. **Minutes of Parks and Recreation Committee.**  
Alderperson Klegin moved/Wolfe seconded and all concurred to approve the meeting minutes from October 16th, 2023.
4. **Executive Director of Recreation & Events report.**  
Executive Recreation Director Gavin Scray provided his monthly report for October. Scray stated he had reached out to the Skateboard group to see if they had any ideas for Division St. At this point they feel the only option would be to resurface the current Civic Center Skate park and rectify the drainage, they did not feel anything could be done at Division St. Scray stated he will follow up on the surface at the Civic Center.
5. **Recreation Superintendent report.**  
Recreation Superintendent Adrienne Lacy provided her monthly report for October.
6. **Public Work's Superintendent Report**  
Public Work's Superintendent Pat Carlson provided his monthly report for October.
7. **Director of Tourism and Marketing report.**  
Director of Tourism and Marketing Shawn Katzbeck provided his report that included future events and marketing focus for 2023/2024.
8. **Discussion and possible action regarding hiring for design development of Splash pad.**  
Blake Thiesen, principal owner & landscape architect of Parkitecture was present (via go to meeting) to give a presentation/overview regarding a proposal and design development for the splash pad. Thiesen stated his company has designed 65 splash pads mostly in the state of Wisconsin and his company does nothing but park and rec and aquatic facilities. The process would be working with the City/Common Council and members of the community to determine the design direction working towards such as color & equipment types, to include engineering, plumbing, electrical and site layout and when finished have a real clean bid package of plans and specifications that can then go out to bid. Parkitecture would interact with the city through-out the process.  
Alderperson Polzin moved/ Klegin seconded and all concurred to **recommend the Common Council approve** Hiring Parkitecture for design development of Splash pad.
9. **Items for December agenda**  
Update regarding Duer Gym.
10. **Adjourn.** Alderpersons Klegin moved/Wolfe seconded and all concurred to adjourn at 4:29 PM.

Lana Bero, City Clerk

(Next regular Parks and Recreation Committee meeting is **Monday 12/19/23 @ 4:00** in the Common Council Chambers).