

CITY OF WEYAUWEGA  
RECREATION COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS  
JANUARY 12, 2021

The Recreation Committee meeting was called to order by member Shani Appleby at the Weyauwega Municipal Building Council Chambers at 5:37 pm. Roll call was taken. Members Present: Shani Appleby and Jered Wilson and Citizen Member's Andrew Rosenwinkel and Frank Zabo. Chairman Dewey Stelzner arrived at 5:50 pm. Not Present: Citizen Members Tim Potratz and DeAnna Volz. Also Present: Mayor Jack Spierings, City Administrator Jeremy Schroeder, Clerk Rebecca Loehrke and Mike Appleby.

Motion Appleby, second Rosenwinkel, to approve the minutes from October 13, 2020. Motion carried with all "ayes".

**Citizen Appearances:** None

**Canoe/Kayak Launch Update:** Administrator Schroeder reported that the launch has been ordered. Hope to have it installed by Memorial Day Weekend. He also talked with the Mayor and they are checking with Waupaca County Highway Department to see if they would be interested in helping install the trail. The City has an agreement with Waupaca County Highway for time and materials so will have some savings. The approximate cost for the trail is figured around \$37,000. Schroeder will be sending in a Greenways Grant Application to the County for \$15,000.

**Playground Equipment Update:** Since Schroeder received the original information on equipment from Lee Recreation and Minnesota Wisconsin Playground, two more companies came forward submitting plans. They are Northland Recreation and Boland Recreation. The pricing for all of the companies are very similar and the equipment is whatever we decide. The possibilities are unlimited. The next step will be to get more information out to the public and look for grants. This is a potential project for 2022. This spring would like to get display boards and a thermometer out in the park to advertise for donations. The committee would also like to see information on display at City Hall for people that don't always get up to the park. Schroeder will reach out to each company and ask what they can do to help the City with fundraising and will bring that information to the next meeting to help narrow down the companies.

**Waupaca Chain Skiers Inquiry:** Schroeder received an email from Daniel Osman, President of the Waupaca Chain Skiers. They are looking for a possible new location to bring their ski show to since they are having issues using the veterans home property in King with the Covid-19 pandemic happening. Schroeder replied back that it is a very interesting opportunity for the city but didn't know if the issue with weeds and stumps in the lake would allow them to. The committee would like Schroeder to meet with Daniel Osman and Bob Van Epps from the Weyauwega Lake Group to discuss options and also to look into the liability issue.

**July 3<sup>rd</sup> Fireworks Discussion:** Stelzner asked to start discussion now on the venue for the fireworks because this is the time that companies start booking up and where the City has the fireworks will determine the pricing. Should the City have them back on the lake or at the fairgrounds? After discussion from the committee they would like to try it at the lake again and would like to use the same company again for the show. *Motion Zabo, second Appleby to have the fireworks show on Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> on the lake with the possibility to change to the fairgrounds if needed and to use Spielbauer at a cost of \$6,000. Motion carried with all "ayes",*

**Administrator's Report:** Nothing more to report.

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**Set next meeting date/time:** The committee will not meet in February. The next committee meeting will be held March 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm. Will start discussion on the Swim Lake 2021 season.

**Such Other Matters as Authorized by Law:** None

*Motion Appleby, second Rosenwinkel, to adjourn at 6:14 pm. Motion carried with all "ayes".*

***Recommendation to Council:***

1. Recommend to approve the fireworks show on Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> on the lake with the possibility to change to the fairgrounds if needed and to use Spielbauer at a cost of \$6,000.

Rebecca Loehrke  
City Clerk