CITY OF WEYAUWEGA RECREATION COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS MAY 4, 2021

The Recreation Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Chris Gunderson at the Weyauwega Municipal Building Council Chambers at 5:48 pm. Roll call was taken. Members Present: Chris Gunderson, Shani Appleby, Cameron Looker (arrived at 5:51 pm) and Citizen Member Frank Zaboj. Also Present: Mayor Jack Spierings, City Administrator Jeremy Schroeder, and Clerk Rebecca Loehrke. Not Present: Andy Rosenwinkel, DeAnna Volz and Tim Potratz.

Motion Gunderson, second Appleby, to approve the minutes from April 13, 2021. Motion carried with all "ayes".

Citizen Appearances: None

<u>Swim Lake Lessons Update:</u> Loehrke gave an update on the number of kids signed up so far through Summer School. Level 1-23 children, Level 2-3 children, Level 3-3 children, Level 4-2 children and Level 5-1 child. With these numbers and a month left to sign up yet we are going to have Session I lessons only be available through the summer school program. Anyone can sign up for the evening time frame.

<u>Lifeguard Interviews Update:</u> Schroeder reported that the swim lake should be at full staff this summer. The City will be hiring 12 lifeguards. The introduction meeting to fill out required paperwork will be held June 7th at City Hall with the Swim Lake opening June 9th. It was a good, well rounded applicant pool this year.

Canoe/Kayak Launch and Trail Update: Schroeder reported that there is a lot going on with the project. The City received an additional \$4,000 in grant money which puts it just under \$30,000. Currently we are waiting on final approval from the DNR. They are coming in to do a Mussel study. Will have to see what the next step is after we get information back from the DNR. The City can go ahead and put riprap in to support the shore line. The City will also have to bid out the trail project so that we are following all requirements of the grant. McMahon will be working on the bid process packet immediately. A special Recreation Committee meeting and Council meeting will need to be called in early June to approve the bids and not have a long delay in the project. The original timeline was to have the project done by Memorial Day weekend but now the City is hopeful to have the project done by the July 4th weekend.

Masch Community Park Playground Project Fundraising Plan Discussion: Schroeder wanted to know from the committee if they are ok to have him move forward with Lee Recreation to have advertising boards and a thermometer board made up for the park for the new playground equipment. There can be a disclaimer that states the equipment pictured can be changed on the boards. Would like to get the boards installed soon so to advertise to patrons of the park this summer for anyone that may like to donate to the project. Gunderson would also like to look into some ADA accessible equipment options and adult/child joint swings. The committee is good with allowing Schroeder to move forward with the advertising program for the playground equipment project. Schroeder will reach out to Lee Recreation to get the thermometer and advertising boards made for the park. Will have information added to the thermometer board on where donations can be made. Schroeder also stated that Public Works is looking at options on adding tables, benches and waste receptacles to the park area. The swing set that was broken has been removed and grass had been planted in the area. Staff is also hopeful that the modular system that is in the park now can be moved to Peterson Park next summer.

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Administrator's Report: Schroeder reported that the swim lake will start to be filled the week of May 24th. Public Works staff are working on some minor repair work within the swim lake area. Schroeder is looking into lighting estimates for the park and swim lake area. Would like to add LED lights in areas that are not lighted. The shelter in the swim lake and Shelter #3 will be painted starting the week of May 17th. Schroeder will see if the American Legion would like to donate towards the painting of Shelter #3 which is the American Legion Shelter. Looking into estimates for repair work to the two brick grills in the park. Both grills were donated by the Lions Club and need a lot of work to make functional again. Schroeder is also looking into the possibility of internet options for the park and adding a camera security system due to all of the vandalism that is happening.

<u>Set next meeting date/time:</u> Will wait to schedule the next committee meeting based on the timeline for the trail bid schedule.

<u>Such Other Matters as Authorized by Law:</u> Appleby reported that Waupaca County recently celebrated all of their volunteers for the Nutrition Program. They are also in need of drivers for anyone that might be interested. Zaboj thanked Schroeder for all of the work he has done on getting the grants for the projects that the City currently has going on.

Motion Gunderson, second Appleby, to adjourn at 6:24 pm. Motion carried with all "ayes".

Recommendation to Council: No recommendations.

Rebecca Loehrke City Clerk