

CITY OF WEYAUWEGA  
RECREATION COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS  
OCTOBER 10, 2023

The Recreation Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Chris Gunderson at the Weyauwega Municipal Building Council Chambers at 6:00 pm. Roll call was taken. Members Present: Chris Gunderson, Shani Appleby, Rick Binley and Citizen Members Andy Rosenwinkel and Frank Zaboj. Not Present: Citizen Member DeAnna Volz and Tim Potratz. Also Present: Mayor Rich Luedke, City Clerk Rebecca Loehrke, City Treasurer Trina Herbst-Gutche, Chief Brandon Leschke, Bruce Goetsch, Dewey Stelzner, Kaley DuCoeur, Lori Gosz with McMahon, Richard Rupno, and Sam Berry.

*Motion Gunderson, second Zaboj, to approve the Recreation Committee minutes from September 12, 2023. Motion carried with all "ayes".*

**Citizen Appearances:** None

**Ball Diamond Update and Timeline from Youth Baseball:** The Mayor had send out an email to the new board members for the youth baseball league and did not hear anything back from them. Mayor Luedke and Andy Rosenwinkel gave an update that the concrete barrier is done. The next step will be working on the dugouts, landscaping and relocating the bleachers. They will need to come out of the parking lot before the snow comes. There are some screenings from the concrete that needs to get cleaned up yet. The youth program will be paying for the dugout work. Currently have \$5,000 set aside. There is a gap right now along the concrete and fence that will have to get filled in yet if the ice rink goes up there. The outfield also needs to be fertilized to protect the grass from the winter.

**Discussion and possible action on Ice Rink at Baseball Field:** Mayor Luedke and Public Works Employee Carson Faulkner looked at options to have an ice rink on the field. One option was just a part of the infield and the 2<sup>nd</sup> was to cover the whole infield. Probably cost about \$3,000 or less depending on if plastic can be found or donated. With the park bathrooms being shut down will have to rent a porta potty up by the field. It was asked if there is any concern with damage to the field. Rosenwinkel thought the only thing would maybe be some settling but if the whole infield is covered shouldn't have much impact. *Motion Gunderson, second Rosenwinkel, to move forward with an ice rink installation on the whole infield, placement of a porta potty and not to exceed \$3,000. Motion carried with all "ayes".*

**Capital Needs Requests Discussion for 2024 Budget:** Lori Gosz with McMahon, who is helping with the budget and end of year reporting went over what Schroeder had put in the budget for items he had which included money toward the tennis courts/pickle ball court. Gunderson is requesting money for more permanent park benches and picnic tables. Rosenwinkel is looking for additional concrete work at the ball field that would go towards the concession stand. Clerk Loehrke reported that Tim Potratz would like to see an aerator in the shallow end of the pool to keep the water circulating and something for the young kids to play under.

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**Set next meeting date/time:** The next committee meeting is set for November 14, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

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

*Motion Gunderson, second Appleby, to adjourn at 6:16 pm. Motion carried with all "ayes".*

**Recommendations to Council:**

1. Recommend to move forward with an ice rink installation on the whole infield, placement of a porta potty and not to exceed \$3,000.

Rebecca Loehrke  
City Clerk