



Parks, Recreation and Tourism Commission
Monday, January 22, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.

Village Hall Building
13136 30th Avenue
Lake Hallie, WI 54729
Minutes

1. Meeting Called to Order according to Chapter 19.84 of the Wisconsin State Statutes-**5:58pm**
2. Roll Call: Mr. Clifton...Ms. Squires...Ms. Leibke...Mr. Stelter...Ms. Devereaux...Mr. Scholtz.....Mr. Armstrong...Mr. Berg-**All present**
3. Public Comments:**N/A**
4. Approval of Minutes:
 - a. December 18, 2023 Meeting Minutes-**Becky made a motion to approve and Pat seconded.**
5. New Business:
 - a. Update from Chippewa Falls Chamber of Commerce on 1st quarter 2024 efforts-**Sue gave an update on the marketing efforts they are going to be working on for the first part of 2024. She covered the wins for the community that will be coming into the market in 2024. 1st quarter is off to a slower start**
 - b. Discuss/recommend Hallie Park Lighting grant application (submission date by January 31, 2024)-**Brad is still waiting on installation bid and fixtures to hopefully be received by 1/28/24 to get the grant submitted by the 31st with more accurate dollar amounts along with it. As of right now it is Memorial, Veterans, Walker and Sipple Fields that are being applied for the granting. Stacy, the treasure indicated they have \$20,000 from an anonymous donor and \$8,000 from the Minnesota Twins that are available for funds to help assist with this project as well.**
 - c. Discuss/recommend Parks Supervisor Position- **BILL IS RETURNING FOR THE 2024 SEASON....**
 - d. Discuss/recommend Spring/Summer Parks Maintenance Staffing-**Brandon Trugger has applied, waiting on additional applications and will post at the high school after February's meeting if needed. Jacob is looking to return along with Earl will be coming back in the Spring to help until the school kids are available and then he will determine from there his availability. Need another 4 for day crew approximately and 4 for the weekend tournament crew.**
 - e. Discuss/update on Concession Stand maintenance/repairs prior to 2024 Parks season-**Stacy will meet Bill out at the park to talk about the removal of items and come up with a game plan. Bill will assist with the Maintenance repairs in the concession stand. The Electrical and plumbing will be done by others to get to proper code if needed. The flooring has some section of it that needs to be repaired or replaced. Bill to bring back any bids that will be needed for approval at our Feb. Meeting.**
 - f. Discuss/recommend granting a written easement to neighboring property owners to access Southview area dedicated to the public for park purposes located south of Lots 9 & 10 for personal use-**Phillips lot 9 owner and Stephanie Linsmeyers lot 10 owner were present at the meeting asking for an easement to the property of the tot lot that butts up to them so they can use to drive their motor vehicles on and park their trailer on. Brad then read the restrictions on the Driving motor vehicles on park land. It was then strongly recommended that we do not grant the access easement which the board all agreed upon after further discussion the motion carried to not allow.**
 - g. Discuss/recommend signage/advertising requirements from the Village for consistency purposes at Hallie Park with Hallie Girls Softball Association-**Brad attended the last Girls Softball meeting and informed them of our guidelines on this as we move forward. They are currently in a 3 year agreement so next year we can discuss standards or if new accounts come aboard we can talk about these standards sooner and what they look like.**



- h. Discuss/update on request for proposals on the Concession Stand Agreement and operations for the 2024 season-on January 19th, 2024, Cathy sent the proposal to Bob and Stacy for review and signature. Stacy discussed at the meeting he would like to discuss the agreement further with it being their first year. Stacy proposed \$1000 upfront for the May 1st payment instead of the \$2000 payment with full payment to be received by the end of Season unless the net profits do not support the \$4,000 perimeter of profit. Russ to provide monthly reports for transparency purposes with the VLHPB. A motion was made to amend the current agreement to the verbiage in 2.5 for payment to be reviewed by Dave Riley prior to signage by Becky and seconded by Cathy, motion carried with no objection.
- i. Update/recommendation for Peace Memorial Park Phase 2-N/A
- j. Discuss/recommend Pickleball Court updates-Bill gave an update on. July st is the estimated completion (Weather Dependent). Almost all items completed that were intended to be done by the end of 2023 other than no grading was done by the storm pond or grading in the back by the parking lot. Black dirt sand had to be removed and a trade was done with Green Oasis to provide black dirt back into the Pickle Ball Fields The courts will not have dual lighting for better safety as well. Sponsorship for 16 of the 18 fields has been secured. \$15k, \$7k and \$5k were the sponsorship levels. PPA tournament in 2025 is also being looked at.
 - a. Old Business:
 - b. Update on VOLH Bike Trail/PED Plan The board adapted the VOLH Bike/Ped Plan. Eric and I will be reviewing for any additional updates like removing the word "draft", etc. Then copies will be printed and bound and dropped off at the town hall. More to come on how to maintain momentum Greg indicated. He will also be going to the County Meeting Wednesday to discuss getting the safe crosswalk from 30th Ave (By Waste Management) to PMP for our possible trailhead. Will update us at our Feb. Meeting.
- 7. Review of January 2024 Disbursements and Profit & Loss-Kent to look into the \$1200 credit for expenditures
- 8. Standing Agenda Items:
 - a. Discuss/Recommend any new Event/Rental Agreements – Hallie Elite Girls Softball June 21 – 23, 2024 (paid by ck #1479) and Hallie Elite Girls Softball June 28-30, 2024 (paid by ck #1480) Hallie Youth Days July 24-28, 2024 (paid by ck #1012); Hallie All-Star Baseball Tournament August 1-4, 2024 (paid by ck #1012) Becky made the motion to approve, Pat seconded. The Hallie Elite Girls Softball for June 21st thru 23rd was refunded back as they cancelled, however.
 - b. Capital Outlay Projects-N/A
 - c. Lake Association N/A
 - d. Pickleball Courts Update-Previously discussed.
 - e. Bike/Ped Update-Previously Discussed
 - f. Lake Hallie Outdoor Recreation Plan update-Previously Discussed
 - g. Hallie Boys Baseball-N/A
 - h. Hallie Girls Softball-Leadership changed at the beginning of the year. They are updating the website currently. Registration begins on Feb. 8th, 2024 for the season.
 - i. Chippewa Strikers/Soccer Complex-Did not get their fall season in in 2023 due to the water issue that occurred which killed all the grass. They got it back but it was to late. Spring Season registration is going strong. First game to take place April 27th.
- 9. Adjournment-Cathy made the motion to adjourn at 8:03, the next meeting will be February 26th.

Posted: 01/18/2024 @ 3:00 p.m.

CC: Chippewa Valley Newspaper, Eau Claire Leader Telegram, Maverick Media, Clear Channel, WEAU, WQOW, Committee Members, Village Board Member

Posted by Kris Fitzsimmons, Clerk-Treasurer