

The Park and Recreation Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairperson Bryce Remy.

Members Present: Remy, Marschke, Muche, Krueel and Voy.

Members Absent: None

Motion by Remy, second by Voy, to approve minutes from March 8, 2023.

All voting Aye. Motion carried.

Public Appearances:

- Oxbow Marina out of Hustisford will talk with the marina to place the longer pier.

Parks Report:

- Bike signs and Kayaks are out.
- Baseball field prep has started.
- Park items are starting to be placed.
- Park inspections are completed.
- Working with Horicon Athletic Association on a score shack.
- Received baseball out of bounds post from the Horicon Athletic Association.

Aquatic Center Report:

- Vanderhei is ordering pool passes.

Recreation Report:

- Current activities include youth soccer with 30 kids for practices and scrimmages.
- Basketball skills class on Tuesday nights has over 25 kids.
- The homeschool gym has about 30 kids.
- 72 kids have signed up for youth baseball.
- Youth baseball and youth softball will be in River Bend Park.
- Open pickleball is from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Van Brunt Gym.
- Investigating ideas for adult leagues.
- Need to promote pickleball at Discher Park.

Motion by Remy, second by Krueel, to approve Horicon Phoenix Program request to use Kiwanis Park for Horicon Farmers Market and Music at the Market on Wednesday's June 7, 2023 thru August 30, 2023.

All voting Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Remy, second by Marschke, to approve Horicon Phoenix Program request to have amplified music at Kiwanis Park on Wednesday's June 7, 2023 thru August 30, 2023.

All voting Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Remy, second by Krueel, to approve Horicon Phoenix Program request to allow companion horse at Farmers Market in Kiwanis Park on June 7th and August 16th.

All voting Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Remy, second by Krueel, to approve Horicon Phoenix Program request for placement of Porta Potty at Kiwanis Park.

All voting Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Remy, second by Krueel, to approve the Horicon Phoenix Program request to use Kiwanis Park for Farm to Table dinner on Sunday, September 10, 2023.

All voting Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Remy, second by Krueel, to approve Horicon Phoenix Program request for reimbursement of security deposit of September Farm to Table Event.
All voting Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Remy, second by Mucche, to approve purchasing a combination lock and combination door lock for Kiwanis Park Shelter and power box.
All voting Aye. Motion carried.

Scott Giesen, Department of Public Works employee gave an update on status of playground inspections in parks:

- a. Addie Park - not much there. The sandbox that is there is broken and needs to be replaced.
- b. Bowling Green Park - massive corrosion on the catwalk of the playground. This is not up to code and is patched with a piece of plastic. There is serious metal fatigue and corrosion throughout the playground.
- c. Discher Park - playset is in rough shape. All the support poles were filled with water and split open. Slide is cracked and broken as well as a missing chunk. The anchors are loose along with metal fatigue. The sandbox digger is broken. The swings are old school but are still holding up. Could use a few swing bushings. Funnell ball item is in decent shape. Teeter totters are getting rough. Hinge points are very thin and at risk of breaking off. Purple jumping playground is missing covers for springs, could be a serious case for children to lose fingers.
- d. Kiwanis Park - playset has rubber coating cracking. Will need to investigate getting this one repaired as it is newer and may have a warranty. The only other issue is the digger with missing parts. Everything else is new and in good shape.
- e. River Bend Park – North end - everything is OK with the firetruck playground. It was vandalized 3 years ago, but it has been corrected to the best of ability without destruction. Could use more sand in the sand box.
- f. River Bend Park – South end - the slide is older but still solid. Swing set could use new seats as some are brittle. Teeter totter has a very thin center point on it. The tires that are there need immediate repair due to tire wires sticking through. Sandbox could use more sand.
- g. Whitty Park - there is one lonely swing. The playground also has rust that is swelling material and will fail soon. The plastic on the shaded side is covered and moss and could be cleaned off. Sandbox could use more sand.
- h. Rotary Park - recommended to remove playset immediately. The playground is leaning, missing hardware and components. The playground is beyond repair. The spring toys are crooked and bent up. Sandbox could also use more sand. Spring toys in sandbox are in rough shape. Swings are fine except for rubber pieces.

Motion by Remy, second by Voy, to remove playground structures at Rotary Park.
All voting Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Marschke, second by Mucche, to check into fixing the playground at Bowling Green Park and close the playground temporarily.
Voting Aye: Mucche and Marschke.
Voting Nay: Remy, Krueel and Voy.
Motion failed.

Motion by Remy, second by Krueel, to remove the playground structure at Bowling Green Park.
Voting Aye: Krueel, Remy and Voy.
Voting Nay: Marschke and Mucche.
Motion carried.

Motion by Remy, second by Voy, to the close the playground, teeter totter and purple jump item at Discher Park while DPW investigates repair options.
All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Discussion on replacing open air structure at Kiwanis Park with band shell. Concensus agreed to move forward with this idea and look at getting more quotes.

Motion by Remy, second by Voy, to recommend utilizing a third party to apply for grants for improvements at Kiwanis Park.

All voting Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Muche, second by Krueel to approve a Wing Mural at the Aquatic Center.

All voting Aye. Motion carried.

Playground Presentations and Next Steps:

- Set up a special meeting on Wednesday, April 26th at 6:00 p.m. at Discher Park Pavilion.

Updates on Monument at Bowling Green Park:

- No updates currently.

Updates to the Horicon Bicycle Program:

- Ribbon cutting ceremony on Saturday, April 15 at 11:00 a.m.

Updates on Discher Park Dance Hall:

- Still waiting for the structural report.

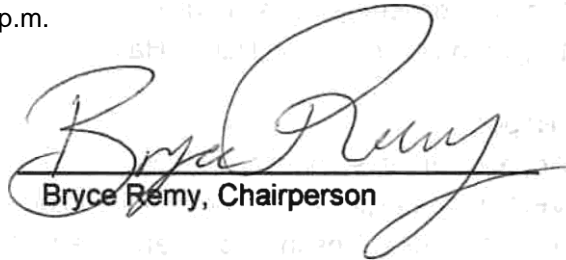
Food Truck Ordinance Rates and Event:

- Recommend charging a \$25.00 fee.
- Remy threw out the idea of Food Truck Festival.

Set the next meeting date for Monday, May 1, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at Kiwanis Park Shelter.

Motion to adjourn by Remy, second by Voy.

All voting Aye. The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.



Bryce Remy, Chairperson

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