

**CITY OF WAUPACA  
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**

**REGULAR MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**THURSDAY, JULY 1, 2021  
5:15 P.M.**

**A. ROLL CALL**

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**Present:** Henry Fries, Alt. Youth Representative, Brooke Peterson, Youth Representative, Mark Jensen, Town of Farmington, Jeff Barlow, Town of Dayton, Ald. Dave Peterson, Loren Fritz, Mary Trice, Town of Waupaca, Dana Gustke, Meagan Waller and Ald. Eric Olson.

**Absent:** Pat Phair unexcused and Logan Janssen, Youth Representative, excused

**Also Present:** Andrew Whitman, Parks and Recreation Director

**B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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**MOVED** by Mr. Fritz, **SECONDED** by Mr. Olson to **APPROVE** the Agenda. 10 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.  
**MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE.**

**C. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS**

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- **Revenue and Expenditure Reports**

**MOVED** by Mr. Gustke, **SECONDED** by Ald. Peterson to **APPROVE** the Monthly Reports. 10 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. **MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE.**

**D. RECREATION PROGRAM UPDATE – KASSANDRA HUMKE**

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Mr. Whitman gave the recreation program update in place of Ms. Humke. She is on vacation this week and unable to attend the meeting.

Mr. Whitman stated that youth baseball and softball finally finished up on Wednesday, June 30<sup>th</sup> due to rain over the intended tournament weekend. Boy's Junior League finished up on Monday, Boy's Major League got rained out for the third time on Tuesday and Boy's/Girl's Minor League finished up on Wednesday June 30<sup>th</sup>. T-Ball program also finished up on the last week of June.

Mr. Whitman stated that soccer planning has been ongoing for the past few months. Goals and lines were finished the day of the meeting and the Youth Soccer Board has created teams and done a lot of the pre-season logistical work needed. The season starts with practices on July 6<sup>th</sup>. Soccer numbers are up compared to the 2019 season.

Mr. Whitman stated Swimming Lessons Session 1 is wrapping up the first week of July with 177 participants. After Summer School program is still ongoing with both of these programs (Swimming

and After Summer School Program) being partnerships with the Waupaca School District which help families in the community to participate.

Mr. Whitman talked about the Drive-in Movie at the Waupaca Airport with 65 cars showing up to watch the movie.

Ald. Peterson asked if soccer was still played at the Waupaca High School practice fields. Mr. Whitman stated they are and it is a great place to host the program.

## **E. BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PLAN UPDATE**

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Mr. Whitman updated the group on the survey numbers for the Bike and Pedestrian Plan Survey. It was stated that 250 people filled out the survey within the first two weeks and this is a really good response for the beginning. Mr. Whitman asked that members help by encouraging others to fill out the survey if they see people out and about walking and biking.

Mr. Whitman also had some general updates on what may be going on during the summer with the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.

## **F. SWAN PARK PLAYGROUND AND SPLASHPAD UPDATE**

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Mr. Whitman stated that just today he sent out a press release stating that Community First Credit Union is title sponsor with the securing of a \$100,000 donation. The donation will be over a period of 3 years and all financial logistics had been figured out.

Mr. Whitman also discussed the LWCF grant and how he expects to hear from the DNR in early September. This will be a big deciding factor on when the project can move forward.

Mr. Whitman stated they have also received around \$40,000 in donations from mailings with a check of \$15,000 coming in as part of that.

Ald. Olson asked about the possible maintenance and operational cost of the Splash Pad. Mr. Whitman stated that in the beginning stages of this project plan he went to Green Bay, WI to meet with their plumber and toured the splash pads. Conversations were had about the water consumption and how much that may cost in the City of Waupaca as well as opening/closing procedures and times of their splash pads. Mr. Whitman stated he estimated it would take about one day to open and one day to close for the season. Due to it being a cycle through type system there shouldn't be a large amount of cost for our operational budget.

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Mrs. Waller asked if the Splash Pad would need to be staffed. Mr. Whitman stated that there would not be a need for it to be staffed. It will be set up on a push button timer.

## **G. ADJOURNMENT**

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**MOVED** by Mrs. Trice, **SECONDED** Mr. Fries to **ADJOURN** the July 1, 2021 Regular Parks and Recreation Board Meeting. 10 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. **MOTION CARRIED ON A VOICE VOTE.**

The meeting adjourned at 5:32 P.M.

Andrew Whitman  
Parks and Recreation Director  
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