

Jackson Parks & Recreation Committee
Wednesday, January 15, 2020 – 6:00pm
Jackson Area Community Center
N165W20330 Hickory Lane
Jackson, WI 53037

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

Casey Latz called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

Members present: Brittany Rathke, Renee Kreiter, Sue Rank, John Bales and Christa Weiss.

Staff present: Renee Fisher, and Kelly Valentino.

2. Approval of Minutes – October 16, 2019

Christa Weiss made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. John Bales seconded the motion.

Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. The minutes were approved.

3. Resignation of Scott Mittelsteadt and Appointment of Brian Mekka.

Scott was unable to be present, but Kelly thanked him for his many years of service to the Village, both as a member of the Park & Rec Committee, as well as his service on the Village Board.

Brian Mekka has been a part of the activities of the Rec department for a while, and is a welcome addition to the Committee. Welcome aboard, Brian. Now you are in it for real!

4. Osbourne Book Box in Hickory Lane Park, Robin Busche – Discussion & Action.

Robin was not present, so Kelly explained that Robin works Osbourne Books in the direct sales for children's books division. She would like to put a Book Box in Hickory Lane Park. She would be responsible for the box, filling & maintaining it. During discussion, the possibility of this being an Eagle Scout project came up. Kelly said she would talk to Robin regarding that. After further discussion, John Bales made a motion to have Robin Busche submit a planning and procedures outline at the next meeting. Susan Rank seconded the motion. Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Kelly will contact Robin.

5. Scout Troop #765 Duck Houses, Lyle Alft - Discussion & Action.

Lyle Alft has taken over Scout Troop #765. He presented the proposal to build two (2) wood duck boxes and place them in Cedar Run Park along Cedar Creek in the spring of 2020. The Scouts would maintain them & clean them out yearly. After discussion, Susan Rank made a motion to approve the wood duck house concept and send it to the Village Board. Renee Kreiter seconded the motion.

Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. The motion was approved. Kelly told Mr. Alft that the item would be on the February Village Board meeting agenda. He should try to be there to answer any questions.

6. Budget

- **Distribute Monthly Report & Stat Pack**
- **2020 Budget & Capital Project Update**

Kelly handed out the Monthly Report, Stat Pack, and 2020 Budget update sheets. We are in great shape. Thank you to the staff (including Kelly) for the wonderful job they are doing!

7. Directors Report & Upcoming Events.

• **Upcoming Events: MONTE CARLO NIGHT**

Monte Carlo night will be February 1, 2020 at the Jackson Community Center. It is the largest fundraiser for the department. Kelly handed out sponsor forms and posters, and asked that we all contact businesses/people to get sponsors for the event. If any volunteers can be gotten, that would be a plus.

In the Lil Tykes Commercial Catalog, the Hickory Lane playground is featured on 2 pages. This is huge. It is something the Village as a whole should be proud of.

The Beer Garden will be held Wednesday June 17 through Saturday June 20, 2020 from 4-9 pm. This is a change from last year. There also will be no fall beer garden. So come and enjoy while it is here! There will be new concessions.

8. Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan – Revision Review, Recommendations and Discussion.

9. Public Participation Survey Review for Park Plan – Update.

Kelly handed out a portion of the 2008 Parks Recreation and Open Space Plan that showed some of the revisions. She also handed out the Community Assessment Survey. I am combing the information because both item agenda item #8 & #9 ran together in the discussion. The survey is available at the Community Center, and can also be found on-line through SURVEY MONKEY at: jacksonparkrec.recdesk.com. Surveys can also be left in the drop box or taken to the front desk at the Jackson Area Community Center. They can also be faxed to (262) 677-9641 or mailed to: JACKSON AREA COMMUNITY CENTER COMMUNITY SURVEY N165W20330 HICKORY LANE JACKSON, WI 53037. As you can see, your options are many. There is no reason you cannot help the department with your opinions.

10. Splash Park – Discussion of concession and Non-resident & group fees for 2020.

This item will be on the February agenda.

11. Citizens/Committee Member Comments.

Kelly said that one of the Village employees had issued a Challenge Grant to the other employees. They would match donations to the Rec department made by employees for up to \$1,000. This goes through 01/24/2020. THANK YOU VILLAGE EMPLOYEES! What a kind and generous thing to do.

12. Adjourn from Park & Recreation Committee Meeting to begin Friends Meeting.

John Bales made a motion to adjourn. Christa Weiss seconded the motion.

Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. The meeting ended at 7:27pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Susan Rank