

## Parks Board Minutes

MEETING DATE: August 9, 2023 at 7 PM

MEETING PLACE: City Hall- Council Chambers

The City of Madison Parks Board held its monthly meeting this 9th day of August 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall.

Calling of roll and notice of absentees: The meeting was called to order by Board President Carla Krebs. Other Board members in attendance were David Hertz, Jake Shockley and Phil Kahn.

Also, in attendance were Parks Director, Scott Klein and Assistant Parks Director, Tanya Burnette.

**Approval of Minutes:** David made a motion to accept the minutes from the July meeting as distributed. Phil seconded the motion, all approved. Motion carried.

**Claims:** Phil made a motion to accept the claims as presented. Jake seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

**New Business:** Scott Presented the Board a draft resolution for Facility uses, Fees, Policies and hours of Operation for 2024. He would like the Board to review and work on this. He wants it in place by 2024.

Assistant director report: Tanya updated the Board on events, activities and senior center updates. The Senior Center is now open 4 days a week instead of 3. She is currently conducting interviews for a coordinator after Gary Hewitt resigned recently. We have started weekly crafts and monthly trips. Our first trip was to Stream Cliff Farm for a lecture and lunch.

Director's Report: Scott gave detail on the improvements thus far @ the senior center. We opened- up the walls to make a multi-purpose space in the front part of the center. We tore out the old flooring which will be replaced next week. Klein said the city will be moving a pool table to the Center that has been in the Brown Gym basement. The project will be funded by senior funds and is expected to cost no more than \$5000. We will hold an open house and ribbon cutting when the work is completed next month.

Improvements have been made to Lion's Club Playground near Rucker Sport's Complex. We repaired broken equipment and stained the wood.

Klein gave an update on Gaines Park. New playground equipment is to be installed next week. We are anticipating improvements to be completed by the end of the month.



Klein updated the Board on financials at the Campground and Sunrise Golf Course. The expenses are down at the Campground and revenue is up from 2022. He plans on keeping the fees the same until we make more improvements in the future. Net revenue at Sunrise Golf Course so far this year is \$62,000, a 75% improvement over last year when the course had netted just \$15,800 at this time. The process has started with architect Lussier Design to review Sunrise and develop options for course improvements including the possibility that a practice area or a driving range might be added along with new greens and an irrigation system. Board member Shockley said the project will be expensive and he hopes improvements can be made without having to close play. Klein said he agrees, and it may be that after the review, we will just repair the irrigation system along with a few other improvements.

Next, Klein announced that we are at an impressive 83% participation rate for summer/fall sports so far. Football practices begin this week. Volleyball will start in September.

Next meeting: Monday, September 5, 2023, at 5 PM

Adjourn: Phil made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Jake. All Approved. Motion carried.

Attested:

Parks Board President/Vice President