

Parks Board Minutes

MEETING DATE: July 1, 2024, at 5 PM

MEETING PLACE: City Hall- Council Chambers

The City of Madison Parks Board held its monthly meeting this 1st day of July 2024 at 5:00 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, and Jake Shockley. Also, in attendance were Scott Klein, Park Director, Tanya Burnette, Assistant Director, and Kim Eaglin, Park Secretary.

Approval of Minutes: Jake made a motion to accept the minutes from the June meeting as distributed. Carla seconded the motion, all approved. Motion carried.

Claims: Carla made a motion to accept the claims as presented. David seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

New Business: Scott would like the Board to consider employee rates for Park Rentals. The Board requested more information on this at the next meeting.

Assistant Director Report: Tanya gave updates on the Senior Center and the Day trips planned. The recent Boat trip had 37 people. The next trip is to the Newport Aquarium.

Director Report: Scott gave a Program update. We had 150 in the **Baseball/softball** program this year. We will wrap up the season on July 5th. The final night is a pool party for the participants Saturday evening. Scott presented financial updates on Sunrise Golf Course and the Crystal beach Aquatic Center. Both are doing well.

Attendance continues to be strong at Crystal Beach. Between May 26 and June 30, there were 13,381 entries. Sales at the Concession stand in five weeks total approximately \$39,000. Overall, revenue for the pool has been approximately \$157,600 which includes sponsorship and rental of Hunter Hall.

Jake, who is also a member of the City's Golf Board, informed the Board that the irrigation system is in need of replacement soon. We keep putting band-aids on it. We are also in dire need of more golf carts. We don't have enough to cover weekend play. Roger Gallatin, Golf Pro, estimates we are losing \$1,000 per week in lost revenue from golfers having to wait for carts to be available.

Scott gave an update on the Comfort Station. We are planning limited renovations. The work includes creating an interior vestibule for VMI, upgrading lighting and new flooring.

Scott said there is some consideration to closing the Skate Park at Rucker due to vandalism. We just spent \$1,100 and a lot of labor painting graffiti. We have posted signs, per Mayor Courtney, that if it isn't properly taken care of, we will close it permanently. We don't want to see that happen.

Public Comment: Lisa Ferguson asked if we could keep the pool open longer on Friday, Saturday and Sundays since there are no programs those days. Scott said he would look into it.

Next meeting: Monday, August 5, 2024, at 5:00 PM

Adjourn: Carla made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by David. All Approved. Motion carried.

Attested:

Parks Board President/Vice President

