

CITY OF MENASHA
Parks and Recreation Board
Hart Park
May 17, 2022
MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chr. Dick Sturm at 6:01pm.

B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chr. Dick Sturm, Brian Adesso, Ald. Ted Grade, T. Hale

MEMBERS EXCUSED: R. Dowling, T. Marshall

OTHERS PRESENT: PRD Megan Sackett, Sandra Dabill-Taylor

C. PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE

There was a discussion about switching the dates and time of Park Board meetings going forward. Consideration will be given to holding them on the second Tuesday of the month at 5:30pm.

D. MINUTES TO APPROVE

1. **Minutes of the April 27, 2022 Park Board Meeting:** Moved by Ald. T. Grade, seconded by T. Hale to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2022 Park Board meeting.

E. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

1. **Approve Brews on Bago at Jefferson Park, June 9, July 14, August 11 and September 8, 2022:** Moved by T. Hale, seconded by Ald. T. Grade to approve Brews on Bago for the listed 2022 dates.
2. **Approve Menasha Wrestling Club (part of Communityfest) at Curtis Reed Square, July 3, 2022:** Moved by T. Hale, seconded by B. Adesso to approve Menasha Wrestling Club for July 3, 2022.
3. **Approve MACs (part of Communityfest) at Jefferson Park, July 4, 2022:** Moved by Ald. T. Grade, seconded by T. Hale to approve the MACs organization for July 4, 2022.
4. **Approve Midwest Sunsplash at Curtis Reed Square, July 22 & 23, 2022:** Moved by T. Hale, seconded by B. Adesso to approve Midwest Sunsplash for July 22 & 23, 2022.
5. **Approve Twisted Pistons at Curtis Reed Square, August 18, 2022:** Moved by Ald. T. Grade, seconded by T. Hale to approve Twisted Pistons for August 18, 2022.

F. REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEAD / STAFF

1. **Department Report:** See attached written report.

G. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY MATTER LISTED ON THE AGENDA

Sandra Dabill-Taylor had questions regarding why the events listed above were on the agenda and the organization of Communityfest and Brews on 'Bago.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ald. T. Grade, seconded by T. Hale to adjourn at 6:41pm. Motion carried.

Staff Reports from the Parks, Recreation, Forestry & Cemeteries Department

May 2022

The Arbor Day celebration happened on Friday, April 29 at Menasha High School. Governor Evers joined us for the ceremony along with Rep. Lee Snodgrass, representatives from Menasha Utilities, UW-Fox Cities, and Wisconsin DNR. A representative from Department of Workforce Development came to speak about the Youth Arborist Apprenticeship program. Following the ceremony, staff and volunteers from Jason's Tree Service and Heckrodt worked with Butte des Morts 4th Graders and Menasha High students to plant 25 trees on the streets adjacent to the High School.



RECREATION

Spring/Summer Preparations

Our summer registration is going strong with 66% of our programs already having one-half or more of their max capacity. AND, fifty-five of the 211 programs are at full capacity. It's so satisfying to see the interest in our programs and events!

Hiring continues for our summer staff positions. Fifteen Recreation staff and 27 pool staff have applied and there are still a few more outstanding job applicants. We'd really like to get three more lifeguards.

First staff training is May 17th. We have two lifeguard classes scheduled (first beginning on May 20) and a recertification class is also on the calendar.

We'll be promoting jobs, events and programs at the Spring into Summer event in Appleton hosted by United Way on May 21.

Recreation Programs

Our last &Me of the Spring was held on May 10 with 13 children and their caregivers. We will be bringing this program back in Fall.

Spring Into Rec will be a part of BlueJay Fest at the High School on May 21st. We will have a sampling of our many opportunities this summer with great activities.

Our first Pickleball Instruction class is wrapping up next week. It's been well attended but weather hasn't been too cooperative.

Archery has begun and we have a new experienced archer leading our program.

Home Alone/Baby Sitting class was held on May 11th with eleven students learning skills to stay at home alone during their day off of school.

Spring Tiny Tots ends on May 27th.

PARKS

Friendship trail LED upgrade is complete.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 14..... Play Tennis Midwest
- May 21..... Spring Into Rec
- May 20-22..... Lifeguard Class
- June 8..... City Carnival
- June 9..... Brews on 'Bago

BUILDINGS

Ceiling tiles have been installed at the PD and the Flooring is scheduled to be installed at the end of May

We now have both PD dehumidifiers installed, one on the first floor and one in the basement.

Key cores are now completed throughout the city, staff completed the last of them at Koslo, Pool, Clovis, Memorial Building and the few remaining pad locks.