



HERITAGE
COMMUNITY
OPPORTUNITY

Village of Mount Horeb

138 E Main St

Mount Horeb, WI 53572

Phone (608) 437-6884 | Fax (608) 437-3190

Email: mhinfo@mounthorebwi.info | Web: www.mounthorebwi.info

PARKS, RECREATION, AND FORESTRY COMMISSION TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2022

The Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Commission of the Village of Mount Horeb will meet in person at **5:30pm** on the above date. The meeting will take place at the Mount Horeb Family Aquatic Center, 204 Park Street, Mount Horeb, WI. Agenda as follows:

- 1) Call to order - Roll call
- 2) Consider minutes of the June 28, 2022 meeting
- 3) Consider alternatives for the sand play area at the Mount Horeb Family Aquatic Center
- 4) Discuss and consider naming of the stage area at Grundahl Park
- 5) Consider playground grant and equipment purchase
- 6) Discussion on Sauk Prairie Pool Tour
- 7) Discuss future park projects
- 8) Recreation Director report
- 9) Public Services Director report
- 10) Future agenda items
- 11) Set next meeting date and time
- 12) Adjourn

A QUORUM OF THE VILLAGE BOARD/VILLAGE COMMITTEE MEMBERS MAY BE PRESENT AT THIS MEETING. ONLY NOTICED AGENDA ITEMS WILL BE ACTED ON BY THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY SPECIFIED ABOVE.

PLEASE NOTE THAT, UPON REASONABLE NOTICE, EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO ACCOMMODATE THE NEEDS OF DISABLED INDIVIDUALS THROUGH APPROPRIATE AIDS AND SERVICES. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR TO REQUEST THIS SERVICE, CONTACT ALYSSA GAFFNEY, CLERK, AT (608) 437-6884.

MINUTES

PARKS, RECREATION AND FORESTRY COMMISSION

June 28, 2022, 5:30 PM, Municipal Building Board Room

PRESENT: Halverson, Monroe, Webber, Fendrick

ABSENT: Smith

OTHERS PRESENT: Dudley, Gorman, Owen – Village of Mount Horeb

Consider minutes of the May 24, 2022 meeting.

Webber moved; Monroe seconded to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2022 meeting. Fendrick abstained. Motion carried.

Discuss and consider waiving 2022 pool fees for the Mount Horeb high school swim team

Kolleen Nesheim, athletic director, and Bree Parent, coach, were present to request using the lap pool for the high school girl's swim team. They stated that there are a lot of costs to starting a new swim team and they are hoping the Village is willing to reduce or eliminate any fees for the use of the pool for approximately three weeks. The estimated cost to operate the pool is \$403/day for chemicals, utilities and maintenance labor.

Webber moved to invoice the school district \$2000 to help cover chemical costs and waive the rest of the fees to keep the pool open an additional two weeks. Halverson seconded. Motion carried.

Update on High School varsity softball diamond lights and tennis court improvements

Halverson gave an update on the school district's referendum plan. The school district sent out a public survey regarding a potential referendum. The operating referendum is being developed and should be ready in a few months. The number one priority from the survey for capital referendum request was an indoor pool. The school district also formed a facility steering committee to help develop a referendum request.

Karla Gundlach from the Mt Horeb pickleball group said there are more pickleball players in Mt. Horeb and they are going elsewhere to play. Linda Farris from the pickleball group stated that Grundahl Park is an ideal location for a pickleball facility.

Discuss and recommend 2023-2027 capital purchase requests

Gorman reviewed the capital requests for the 2023 budget year. There was some discussion on the pool sand play area and whether or not to leave it in the budget as is or do away with it entirely. The Commission agreed to look at the area at the August meeting held at the pool. Gorman asked the Commission to consider using ARPA funds to complete the tennis court reconstruction as long as the school district paid back their share in an agreed upon period of time. Dudley suggested using ARPA funds to install key fobs at all of the park shelters. Webber moved, Monroe seconded to approve the capital budget requests and forward them on to the Finance and Personnel Committee, including the use of ARPA funds for the tennis court reconstruction and key fobs. Motion carried.

Consider land donation on Adams and Valley lot

Owen was approached by a property owner who would like to build duplexes on two lots and donate a third lot to the Village for park purposes. The lot is an unbuildable lot under 10,000

square feet and the Commission agreed it is not large enough to develop for our current needs.

Discussion on Meylor property

The Commission liked the size of the property but realize there are some challenges with the topography of some of the land. Owen suggested the possibility of having a landscape architect analyze the property for development. Webber made a motion to hire a landscape architect to review the property. Monroe seconded. Motion carried.

Recreation Director's Report

Dudley reviewed her report.

Public Services Director's Report

Gorman reviewed his report.

Consider items for future agendas

- Discuss pool sand area
- Future park projects

Set next meeting date and time

The next meeting was set for August 23, 2022 at 5:30 pm at the Mount Horeb Aquatic Center

Adjourn

Webber moved, Monroe seconded to adjourn at 7:07 pm.

Minutes prepared by Jeff Gorman, Public Services Director



Village of Mount Horeb

Recreation Department

105 North Grove Street
Mount Horeb, WI 53572

Phone (608) 437-3400 | Email: jill.dudley@mounthorebwi.info

PARKS, RECREATION, AND FORESTRY COMMISSION

August 23, 2022

Recreation Director's Report

1. July/August Program Numbers:

<u>Program Name</u>	<u>2022 Participants</u>	<u>2021 Participant Numbers</u>
Adventures in Kindergarten	35	27
Archery	14	10
Art Cart EXTRA	49	47
Babysitting Class	10	14
Busy Kid, Busy Dog	0 (cancelled – low enrollment)	7
Cheerleading Camp	45	32
Chess Camp	8	N/A (new program)
Engineering for Kids (August)	18	15
Fit For Life (summer session #2)	0 (cancelled – low enrollment)	19
Kids Camp (session #3)	21	15
Lacrosse Camp	15	25
Leaders of Tomorrow	9	10
NFL Flag Football	290	280
Pottery Classes	27	11
Project Runway Sewing Camp	9	N/A (new program)
Rec Soccer	287	257
Strength Fusion (summer session #2)	29	14
Swim Lessons (session #2)	129	132
Swim Lessons (session #3)	130	128
Swim Lessons (session #4)	131	136
Tree Climbing (July)	24	16
Tree Climbing (August)	26	N/A (have never run it in Aug)
Volleyball Camp	88	81

2. Upcoming September Programs: Pottery Classes, Martial Arts (session #1), Little Star Kickers (fall session), Adult Open Basketball, Strength Fusion (fall session #1), After School Art Classes, Total Body Fitness, Ballroom Dance, Coed Volleyball, Tae Kwon Do, Mad Scientist Training Academy, and Chess Camp.
3. Our fall flyer is now out and I am very happy with how it all came together. We have four new programs this fall including: Tae Kwon Do, Mad Scientist Training Academy, YEL Basketball Camp, and Kids Garage Sale. We have received some wonderful compliments on the flyer and the number of offerings we provide the community.

PARKS, RECREATION, AND FORESTRY COMMISSION

August 23, 2022

Recreation Director's Report

4. Since our Movie in the Park was cancelled in July, due to weather, we will now be hosting it this fall. The date is set for September 9th with a fall egg hunt starting at 6:30pm. The movie showing will be Luca.
5. The pool will be closing on Saturday, August 20th with our Dog Day event on Sunday, August 21st. Other than having to prime the slide each day and dealing with some pesky bees, the summer went pretty smooth. We did have some issues with cleaning this summer, so that is something that Megan and I are going to focus on for 2023.
6. Final pool pass numbers are in. We sold 278 family pool passes and 66 individual pool passes. In 2021, we sold a total of 253 family passes and 53 individual passes. I was very pleased to see how many additional passes we sold this year and we hope this trend continues.
7. Megan recently attended a WPRA Board of Directors retreat in West Allis. She gained a lot of recreation knowledge to bring back to our department, in addition to meeting new colleagues from around the state.
8. Ann O'Connell has been helping us out in the office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8:00am-11:00am. She has been doing a great job and fitting right in. We really appreciate the extra set of hands and are looking to have her stay through September.



Village of Mount Horeb

Public Services Department

138 E Main St
Mount Horeb, WI 53572
Phone (608) 437-3351/Fax (608) 437-3190
www.mounthorebwi.info

Parks, Recreation and Forestry Commission

August 23, 2022

Public Services Director's Report

1. Our forestry crew has been busy with several projects. They pruned low limbs hanging over the street to make room for the current street construction project. They will be doing the same soon for the water main replacement project. This week, they are working on a huge elm removal on Ninth Street. It requires a lot of rigging and involves large limbs growing over a house. It is great to have a skilled arborist on staff and the proper equipment to tackle large removals like this.

There are also several locations where we want to prune low limbs over the road before our winter snow plowing begins and we need to prune back vegetation growing into some of our alleys.



2. We have a total of 57 trees ordered for fall planting. The majority are for new construction in North Cape Commons and the sixth addition to Kara View Heights. We are planning to grind stumps the week of September 26.
3. We had quite a bit of tree damage from the storm on July 23. We ended up losing seven trees and cleaned up broken limbs on several others.

4. Our guys spent a lot of time this summer measuring out and painting soccer fields and flag football fields as well as moving soccer goals and ball boxes for the rec programs.
5. The pools mechanicals have been running well this summer. This is the second season with the new filters, pumps, vfd's, etc. and it has made a big difference in maintaining the water quality and reducing the number of mechanical problems. The big pool has been really clear all season.
6. Slater Diederich attended the Wisconsin Arborist Association's summer conference on July 19.