

*Parks & Recreation Advisory
Commission*



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MEETING MINUTES
December 15, 2020
Highland Senior Citizen Center

CALL TO ORDER

- Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

ROLL CALL

- Members present: Brooke Lipe
Tom Mifflin
Erin Mignin
Denise Berlotti
Gary Klaus
- Members absent: John Coziar

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 20, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

- Motion to approve minutes as written was made, approved, and carried by all. Minutes will be made official and sent to city for record.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

- COVID has been financially hard on the department, especially the Korte Rec. Center.
 - Part-time staff hours have been reduced
 - Replacing the fulltime position that will be vacated in May, 2021 will not be filled
- The pool committee has recommended that the new pool be located next to the KRC.
- Silver Lake Pond & Wetland are completed. There will be some amenities added; trail, benches and maybe a gazebo
- Department continues to provide various ideas to keep people busy and active.
- Brief tour of the new Senior Center

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Teen Center – The committee was interested in pursuing the creation of a teen center that can be located in the former Senior Drop In Center in the Weinheimer. Director Rosen stated he has been working with Mr. Houchins at HHS to collect names of students that they would endorse to serve/represent each class. The premise for this idea is simply based on students deciding what they want to do, not adults telling them what they should be doing.

NEW BUSINESS

- The Hoffman Park playground is in dire need of being replaced and there is a reality that if it can be held off until 2022 before it must be replaced, there is a good chance that utilizing the Madison County PEP Grants (2021 & 2022), along with the grant from GameTime Recreation and the MEPRD Grant, this could be paid for entirely with grants. This would cover the cost of the equipment, surfacing and installation.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 19, 2021, 7:00pm, Korte Recreation Center

Minutes prepared by Erin Mignin