

**BROWN DEER PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE  
MARCH 2, 2021 MEETING MINUTES  
HELD AT THE PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY  
8950 NORTH ARBON DRIVE**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

**I. Roll Call**

Present: Michelle Schofield, Gary Springman, Elissa Retkowski, Nicole Munns, Marie Lieber

Also, Present: Chad Hoier, Park and Recreation Director  
Danielle Gross, Recreation Supervisor

**II. Persons Desiring to be Heard**

**III. Consideration of Minutes: December 1, 2020**

*It was moved by Ms. Lieber and seconded by Ms. Retkowski to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2020 meeting minutes. The motion carried.*

**IV. Unfinished Business**

**V. New Business**

**A) Winter/Spring Program Update**

Mr. Hoier reported that overall numbers are still down due to concerns over the COVID Pandemic. Currently we have taken in 72 Adult Fitness/Instruction registrations and 62 Aquatics/Youth Instruction registrations. The long running Youth Soccer Clinic was cancelled due to low enrollment numbers.

Ms. Gross reported that level's 1 and 2 of swim lessons are full in the current classes.

Mr. Hoier said that rental permits are starting to increase with 27 for the Community Center and 8 Park Shelter permits have been taken out for the upcoming picnic season. Park Shelter permit will pick up as the weather starts to warm up. Park Shelter permit season runs from May 1 – September 30.

**B) Summer Program Update**

Mr. Hoier reported that a total of 28 programs will be offered this summer. Pond season will run from Sunday, June 6 – Sunday, August 15 and operating hours will remain daily from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Pond will operate for 70 days and will be open 7 days a week with it being closed on July 5.

The Summer Playground will run for 7 weeks this summer and will operating hours from 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m. Solar Recreation will be taking over the instruction of the summer Youth Soccer Clinic at Fairy Chasm and if everything goes well, they will take over the winter/spring camp also.

### **C) Summer Special Events Update**

Mr. Hoier reported the Eat & Greet has been cancelled for 2021 and will be brought back in 2022.

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration will be held without a parade. Committee has contracted with two bands to play in the park starting at 1:00 p.m. through 8:00 p.m. Food truck will be available to purchase food, beer/beverage tent will be open over that time as well. Bingo, children's games and corn hole tournament will be held. The Pond will be open from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. Firework show will be held at 9:30 p.m., but spectators will not be allowed in the park this year due to the pandemic. Committee is working with the fireworks provider to supply the show with all aerial style shell so the show can be viewed from a distance.

Vibes Concert Schedule will be as follows: June 16, Smart Mouth, July 21, The Whiskeybelles, August 4, Generation Z and August 18, The Rhythm Kings.

### **VI. Administrative Report**

#### **A) Department Update**

Mr. Hoier and Ms. Gross reviewed the January/February Update. Discussion followed.

### **VII. Committee Reports**

Ms. Schofield informed the Committee that school district is operating with 4 days of in person instruction and every Wednesday is virtual. Some students in the district have chosen to remain virtual full time. District will see a lot of retirements at the end of the school year. Business Director is leaving. Three School Board seats are open for the spring election with 4 people running.

Ms. Lieber reported that Fest Italiana has been cancelled for second year for pandemic reasons.

Mr. Springman informed the Committee that the Village has begun the search process for a new Chief of Police. The spring election will be held on Tuesday, April 6. Three people are running for 2 Village Board seats.

### **VIII. Scheduling of Next Meeting**

A) April 6, 2021

Committee agreed to schedule the next Park and Recreation Committee meeting on Tuesday, April 6, 2021.

### **VIII. Adjournment**

Upon proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.