## Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> Park Board Meeting (Senior Center)

**Item 1:** Call to order by Brian Thom at 6:30 pm

Members present: Brian, LaAngela, Rachel, Corey, Andy, Renee

Others present: John, Carla (resident from Janssen Ave)

Item 2: No citizens comments

**Item 3:** Elect a Chairperson/Member of Planning Commission Motion was made to elect Andy by Rachel-Second by LaAngela Motion passed 6-0

**Item 4:** Approve the minutes of the Oc. 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting

Motion by Brian-Second by Rachel

**Item 5:** Parks buildings report: Pavilion and Senior Center were very busy with multiple rentals over the holidays. The walk in cooler went out just before Christmas and was repaired at a cost of \$1500. The ramp at the rear entrance of the Senior Center was completed by Jake in the DPW and turned out great. I had issues with the microwave, water heater, and the refrigerator over the holidays. All were repaired and the microwave was replaced. I have been busy showing the Pavilion for future rentals the last few weeks. We are advertising in the Dodge County Pioneer and the Hartford Booster to give the Pavilion more exposure for wedding rentals. Got most of the painting done inside the Pavilion.

Grounds Report: I worked with Dan Spittel trimming trees along Lions Point and Dan is cleaning up the woods at Theiler Park. I was contacted by Andy Nelson from the DNR about a new project involving planting areas of fruit trees and berries in the city. There is a grant available thru the UW system which the city would have to match. Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> the parking lots at Theiler are going to be used the DNR Education Center for overflow parking for their candle light walk. I have done directed from the Mayor to hire a Main Street Maintenance Worker for the summer. The details are being worked on. With the snow arriving the Pavilion, Tag Center and Senior Center need to be shoveled.

**Item 6:** Parks Projects Update: I have started replacing the wood on the walking bridge by the Pavilion. Doug and I are working on a parks and rec project to get adults and kids from the area to use our parks more. More details will be coming.

**Item 7:** A report was given about all the existing rec programs that are running like bags on Thursday, and yoga on Wednesdays. Youth rec programs were talked about like volleyball, basketball, and nerf wars. The new programs offered at the Tag Center were talked about also. **Item 8:** Forkman Park was discussed and a motion was made by Brian to deem the park excess land and send it to a joint finance/park board meeting to deem it excess and sell it to the home owners that butt up to it. Second by LaAngela.

Motion passed 6-0

**Item 9:** After much discussion on a free community event that is run by Gateway Community Church using the Pavilion on April 12<sup>th</sup>. A motion was made by Brian to let Gateway Community Church use the Pavilion for this free community event. Second by Renee

Motion passed 6-0

**Item 10:** Date and time of the next Park Board Meeting is: Tues. March 10<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm at the Tag Center

**Item 11:** A motion was made by Brian to adjourn at 7:47 pm. Second by Rachel

Motion passed 6-0