

Village of Howard City  
Park and Rec Meeting Minutes  
November 8, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm. Members present: Olsen, Bissonette, Maguire, Wabanimkee, and Williams. Others Present: Shareen Bradley, Annelise Walker, and Kuzmik

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Motion by Bissonette seconded by Olsen to approve minutes from October 18, 2023, minutes. Motion CARRIED (5-0)

Public Comment: None.

Old Business:

A-1) Halloween Recap – It was discussed to hold judging earlier in the evening for booths and costumes and look at how judging is performed, and possible time change next year from 5-6:30 pm. Games went good and there was enough food. Chairperson Williams thanked everyone who showed up and worked and volunteered their time.

New Business:

B-1) Buck Pole – Update by Wabanimkee stated there are 38 sponsors, Big Red's concessions will be set up and \$600 in tickets will be purchased to give to people as they show. Once tickets are used up, food will need to be purchased by individuals. WGLM 106.3fm is running ads on the radio, newspaper ads have been placed, and sponsor signs are up and around town. Senior All Nighter will be setting up a booth as well.

B-2) Tree Lighting – Tri County Community Church has volunteered to find carolers to possibly walk in the parade and then be at the Depot to sing. The Church will also set up ornament decorating tables from 4pm – 5pm. A fire ring was requested to provide a bit of heat. Wabanimkee will get with local businesses to get donations for gift basket for residential decorating contest winner. Wabanimkee will also contact Viking Sign Solutions to get a sign for the residential decorating contest winner from last year and one for this year's winner. Horse and carriage is supposed to bring in Santa in the parade, fire trucks have also been requested.

B-3) Motion by Maguire seconded by Olsen to approve the 2024 Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Schedule. Motion CARRIED (5-0)

Motion by Olsen seconded by Wabanimkee to adjourn the meeting at 5:19 pm. Motion CARRIED (5-0)

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Melissa Kuzmik, Clerk/Treasurer