

Feb 16<sup>th</sup>

Meeting start: 7:02 pm

In attendance – Everyone: Volzke, Steinhausen, Peeks, Dubas, Weimer, Rathje

Open Meeting Act –

Approval of Agenda: Motion Weimer, Dubas Second. All Yes

Minutes: Motion Rathje, Second Dubas - Cancelled

Steinhausen amend, approve Jan Minutes , Second Peeks -All yes.

Public Comments:

- Lots of interest in the pool – Lisa Rhodes
  - Water Safety
  - Community involvement
  - Safe play
  - Family Mental Health
  - Thankful for the repairs that have been done
- Ballpark Bathrooms – Lisa Rhodes
  - Dignity in restrooms – ADA accessible

## Old Business

### 1) Concession Stand – Ball field

- a. Nick spoke to Lincoln Park/Ball field. Will give Utica a list of contractors and other contacts for the ballfield/concession stand.
- b. Bids- still waiting on
- c. Drawings-
- d. Discussion –
  - i. Steinhausen - the UBO floorplan, is this the only floorplan that we are considering? Can we consider something else? Additional options? What is the attendance? So that we have an idea of the number of spectators, throughput, storage. Portable concession trailer that could be moved to different parks? Pros and Cons?
  - ii. Powell – previous board did discuss mobile trailer, and it was not well received. Request to UBO for previous discussions (**Mindy Wolf, Stephanie Craddik , Kayla Anderson**)
  - iii. Reach out to Beaver for advice on rebuilding the Ball field/Restrooms **Marsh Barth and Jerry Lief and Jerry Zig.**
  - iv. UBO has a couple of designs for flipped ball fields
  - v. Can we ask UBO to come to next meeting.

- vi. Jenny wagner – Centennial Athletic Director Centennial  
[Jenny.wagner@centennialbroncos.org](mailto:Jenny.wagner@centennialbroncos.org)
- vii. Peeks says he'll reach out to several contacts regarding ballfields
- e. Minimum Requirements:
  - i. Moved to centrally located between the two ballfields
  - ii. Tornado Shelter
  - iii. Restrooms ADA accessible
  - iv. Discuss possibility of phased approach
- f. Board goal – decide the goal of the ballfield
- 2) Utica Parks and Rec Logo
  - a. Kenzie's Drawings
  - b. Vote on new Park and Rec Log
  - c. Motion Peeks #1, Steinhausen Second
  - d. Volzke y, Steinhausen y, Peeks y, Dubas y, Weimer, y Rathje y
- 3) Existing Pool
  - a. Soil Scans -
  - b. Epoxy
  - c. 2026 Opening -
  - d. Accessibility
  - e. Pool Awnings
  - f. Management Responsibilities
  - g. Future of Pool Discussion
  - h. Randy Presentation –
    - i. Village board wants a Park and Rec Recommendation
    - ii. Estimate Cost of Operating \$40,000 per year (2024-2025)
    - iii. Additional Unexpected Expenses – 10K additional average each year last 10 years
    - iv. Terracon report – shows concerns and potential voids – may need to follow up with full report.
    - v. Who is qualified to investigate and state if the pool is safe to open?
    - vi. Attorney email regarding pool – no major risk.
  - i. Vote – Do we recommend to the Village should we Re-Open the pool for the 2026 season?
  - j. Dubas Motion Rathje Second– We ask that the Village ask a pool specific engineer to review the condition of the pool; and that we recommend to open the pool for the 2026as long as the engineer does not find any safety concerns”
  - k. Randy Motion Peeks second- Dubas Motion – We ask that the Village seeks a pool specific engineer to review the condition of the pool, and that

we recommend to open the pool for the 2026 season as long as said engineer does not find any safety concerns, and all 3<sup>rd</sup> party reports/documentation from the last 10 years are provided to our insurance carrier.

- I. Volzke y, Steinhausen y, Peeks y, Dubas y, Weimer Abstain, Rathje y Passes

## New Business – Not Discussed, Out of Time

- 1) Rathje move all new business to next month – Weimer Second
  - a. Volzke y, Steinhausen y, Peeks y, Dubas y, Weimer, y Rathje y
- 2) Village Board Report
- 3) New Events and Fundraiser Ideas
- 4) Parks and Rec Section of Website
- 5) Training with Utica VFW at the Pool
  - a. Coordinate training before pool opens for the season
- 6) New Pool
  - a. Needs and designs
  - b. Grants
- 7) End of Summer Fun/ Utica Days 2026
  - a. Message from Dylan S
  - b. Dates
  - c. Fun Raising Ideas
  - d. Games
  - e. Food/Drink
  - f. Events/Activities
- 8) Discussion Time Permitting
  - a. Open Meeting Act
  - b. Ordinance #32.04 BOARD OF PARK COMISSIONERS
  - c. Bylaws If any/any needed?

**Next Meeting: March 16<sup>th</sup> 2026**

**Meeting adjourned 8:56 pm: Motion Rathje, Second Steinhausen**

- a. Volzke y, Steinhausen y, Peeks y, Dubas y, Weimer, y Rathje y