

## Recreation Department Directors Report- September 28, 2021

The director's report is designed to provide a monthly overview of Recreation Department's work.

1. Outdoor Skating: Discover Saratoga has requested to meet with the City again in hopes of offering an outdoor skating rink this winter. I have submitted a request to meet with DPW. As more information develops I will keep the Recreation Commission posted. No update or meeting has taken place.
2. Assistant Administrative Director of Recreation Position: There were 60+ applicants according to Civil Service but only 26 qualified. The committee has narrowed down the applications to 10 people to interview. Interviews will begin in early October.
3. Live Barn: Live Barn is now active at both Ice Rinks and all 4 courts at the Rec Center. We started marketing the new streaming services at the September 24-26 Can/Am hockey tournament which was held at our Ice Rinks.
4. Veterans Memorial Park Playground Project: Friends of Rec and I are planning a meeting at the Grande Industrial Park in Mid October to present the Veterans Memorial Park Playground renovation project. We have 5 to 6 businesses currently interested in supporting the project. As things develop I will continue to update the Commission. The playground prices however have increased nearly 50% since 2019 so funding will be an issue unless prices come back down.
5. Vernon Ice Rink: The installation of new boards and upgraded lighting was completed earlier this Month. The rink looks amazing.
6. Rec Center:
  - a. The Rec Center floor has been repaired where the damage from the water leak occurred.
  - b. We are working on plans to open the game room/fitness room this Fall. Before opening the plan will be sent to the Rec Commission for Review and approval.
  - c. We are working on plans to open the concession stand this fall for basketball. Before opening the plan will be sent to the Rec Commission for Review and approval.