

**CITY OF STEVENS POINT
DEER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES
NOVEMBER 20, 2019
CITY PARKS AND RECREATION DEPT.
2442 SIMS AVE.
STEVENS POINT, WI 54481**

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

CHAIR , JOHN OKONEK 2916 DIXON ST 715-630-0230 JOHNO64@ATT.NET
MEMBER, DR. SCOTT HYGNSROM, SCOTT.HYGYNSRROM@UWSP@EDU
MEMBER, MIKE BIALAS, 1825 GILKAY AVE., MWBIALAS@HOTMAIL.COM
MEMBER , ERIC OLSON, 2025 WEST RIVER DRIVE 715-630-4192 , efolsondirect@gmail.com

GUEST DAN KREMER, DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION.
GUEST MEL DOW, INTERFAITH FOOD PANTRY.
GUEST GREG KLUG, CULLER

The meeting was called to order by chair Okonek at 7:30. The Chair indicated all were present and a quorum was present.

1. Deer management minutes of September 9, 2019.

Motion by Bialas 2nd Hynstrom. Passed unanimously.

2. Update on geese control along river.

Dan Kremer informed committee that the USDA officials will be conducting a meeting at the December 4 Park Board meeting consisting of methods of Habitat modification and control of Geese we may use along the river.

3. Update on Deer culling in the city.

The culler indicated 31 deer have been shot so far this fall. No problems indicated except people walking dogs unleashed on the trails where they are hunting. Okonek informed committee that he was in contact with Sentry Insurance and they are not permitting us to use their grounds to hunt this year. They suggested we contact them again in 2020. We are also using the convent grounds this year with limited success of 4 deer. Mel Dow of Interfaith food pantry commented on the venison received the past year has served over 4700 households in 2018. Over 1,500 # of meat was collected by the culling program.

4. Member Hygnstrom distributed the DNR grant proposal to the committee.

Committee approved submitting it to the mayor for needed signatures.

5. Adjournment.

Motion by Hygnstrom 2nd by Bialas.

Adjournment 8:25 am.