

**Northern Minnesota Recreation and Parks Association**

**Monday, April 25**

**11:00 AM**

1. **Round Table/Introduction**- Share a winter program that was successful, or you are most proud of.
   1. Please limit updates to 2 minutes
      1. Amber- City of Nisswa- Marketing- word of mouth, flyer to elementary schools, NextDoor App
2. **MRPA Updates-** Working at getting Mandated Reporting pushed to next summer, will keep us updated with any new information
3. **Large Group Discussion-** When implementing a new project, program, or event, how do you ensure it’s a successful one?
   1. **Programming Topic-** Are there any current program trends that you would like to do? Are there any trends that you would like to stay away from?
      1. E-Sports
         1. Not Currently Offering, trying to keep kids away from screens
            1. Mike-City of Rogers
         2. Currently Offering
            1. Sara- City of Monticello-Doing E-sports, GG Leagues, incorporates parent education and promotes collate scholarships
            2. Warren- City of Elk River & Lee-City of Buffalo- Doing E-sports
      2. Pickleball
         1. Sara-City of Monticello- pickleball, would like to add a youth program/league
      3. Drones in the Parks
         1. Sara- City of Monticello-anyone offering programs or classes?
         2. Mike- City of Rogers- a few complaints about drones’ races in the parks, not following rules and ending up in people’s yards
         3. Warren- City of Elk River- Marketing Department uses drones, does videos at the skatepark
      4. Skateparks
         1. Who has one??
            1. City of Elk River
            2. City of Buffalo- old needs some replacing, has cameras in the park
            3. City of Hutchinson
            4. City of Big Lake- needs a remodel, community loves
            5. City of Otsego- needs an update
            6. City of Elk River- working with 3rd Lair for programming
            7. City of Bemidji
4. **Anything Else & Upcoming Meeting** – May meeting hosted by Nisswa, any future topics like to discuss?

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Pump tracks . . . if interested in visiting with other agencies, I think Plymouth and Saint Charles may have pump tracks.