



## PARKS & RECREATION

### SUPERIOR TOWNSHIP PARK COMMISSION

Regular Meeting – January 26, 2009

Old Township Hall

7:30 p.m.

ADOPTED MINUTES

#### 1) CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Superior Township Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:30 PM at Old Township Hall by the Chair, Jan Berry.

#### 2) ROLL CALL: Lansing, Kern-Boprie, Wilbanks, Berry, Morris, Allen, Hillman.

PRESENT: Lansing, Kern-Boprie, Wilbanks, Berry, Morris, Allen, Hillman

STAFF: Keith Lockie, Parks Director, and John Copley, Park Steward, were also in attendance.

#### 3) FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Berry.

#### 4) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Wilbanks supported by Morris that the agenda be approved.

#### 5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF December 17, 2008.

It was moved by Wilbanks, supported by Morris, that the minutes of the regular meeting of December 17, 2008 be accepted as corrected. The minutes were accepted.

#### 6) CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Ellen Kurath discussed native plants in the parks. She inquired what policies may be in place for plantings and what maintenance needs the crew would have. She also would need to coordinate with the crew for plantings and post planting requirements. Morris made a motion for Ellen Kurath to focus on native plantings in the parks, Wilbanks supported. The motion carried. The commission thanked Kurath for her generous offer to help with the plantings.

#### 7) TOWNSHIP LIAISON

Williams said that the work at the Cherry Hill Nature Preserve entryway was looking great.

#### 8) REPORTS

- A. Chairperson: Berry said the maintenance crew did a great job disposing of trees that were knocked down in high winds and she was also happy that an individual had plowed snow from the front of Cherry Hill Nature Preserve.
- B. Administrator: There were no questions.
- C. Board Meeting Attendees: Berry attended the January 5<sup>th</sup> meeting when the Board discussed finding a replacement Parks Commissioner. Berry also attended the January 20<sup>th</sup> meeting when the new Parks Commissioner, Marcus Hillman was appointed. The Board also discussed the installation of a non-motorized trail at the intersections of Geddes Road and Harris Road.

Wilbanks moved, supported by Kern-Boprie, to accept the Reports. The motion carried.

D. Park Steward: John Copley reserved his comments for the agenda item.

E. Safety Report: None

9) OLD BUSINESS

A. John Copley reported that the grant for the Cherry Hill Nature Preserve was not obtained. Copley thought the project may not have been large enough for obtaining a grant and he indicated that he will apply again in April.

B. Copley talked about the Cherry Hill Nature Preserve access road modifications. The entrance for this widened trail needs extra survey work, maps and other engineering details to comply with Washtenaw County Road Commission's requirement due to sight line ordinances. Copley stated that this has complicated completion of the project. Estimates from OHM were for approximately \$2,000 of additional work. Morris moved that the Parks Commission allocate up to \$2,000 toward the Cherry Hill Nature Preserve access road widening project, Wilbanks supported. The motion carried unanimously.

10) NEW BUSINESS

A. Allen spoke about a book donation from the Gear Up Program at Eastern Michigan University that could be used at a future activity. The Commission discussed coordinating an activity with the library and Township Officials may be successful to distribute the books.

B. Berry suggested forming a committee that could explore the future summer programs possibilities. A committee consisting of Allen, Kern-Boprie and Hillman was formed to discuss summer programs.

11) BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Wilbanks moved, supported by Kern-Boprie, to pay the bills totaling \$5,656.90. The motion carried unanimously.

12) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Wilbanks moved, supported by Morris, to accept the December 2008 financial statements. The motion carried unanimously.

13) ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Wilbanks supported by Kern-Boprie that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Allen, Secretary