Superior Charter Township Park Commission Regular Meeting April 26, 2021 Conducted via Zoom Platform Technology

Approved Minutes

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Nahid Sanii-Yahyai at 6:33 pm.

2. Roll Call

Park Commissioners present: Nahid Sanii-Yahyai, Terry Lee Lansing, Guy Conti, Greg Vessels, Riley Schofield, Martha Kern-Boprie

Park Commissioners absent: Marion Morris

Others present: Trustee Bernice Lindke; Juan Bradford, Park Administrator; Patrick Pigott, Maintenance Supervisor and Recreation Coordinator, Laura Bennett, Twp Hall staff

3. Flag Salute

Vice-Chair Nahid Sanii-Yahyai led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

4. Agenda Approval

It was moved by Terry Lee Lansing and supported by Nahid Sanii-Yahyai to approve the agenda as drafted. The motion carried.

5. Prior Meeting Minutes Approval

A. March 22, 2021

It was moved by Riley Schofield and supported by Guy Conti to approve the minutes of 3/22/21 as drafted. Martha Kern-Boprie found a spelling error in Reports E. Park Steward. The word presently spelled "removed" should be spelled "remove". Nahid Sanii-Yahyai found another spelling error in New Business A. Parks Maintenance Supervisor. The first word in the second paragraph presently spelled "Juna" should be spelled "Juan". The motion carried to approve the minutes with correction of the two spelling errors.

6. Citizen Participation

There was none.

7. Reports

A. Chairperson

Vice-Chair Nahid Sanii-Yahyai reported that Chair Marion Morris is recuperating at home and says hello to the Park Commissioners.

B. Administrator

Juan Bradford submitted a written report. The sidewalk in Community Park will be constructed with county funds. Construction will take place either fall 2021 or spring 2022. Repair of the tennis court in Community Park should be complete by June 18. The Ypsilanti District Library (YDL) and local community are working on traffic controls for the intersection of Harris and MacArthur. The Park Department has hired one seasonal employee and has another position open. Greg Vessels asked what the compensation was, and the weekly work hours. The pay rate is \$15.00 per hour and 32 hours per week (8 hours per day, Monday – Thursday). Guy Conti noted that we may want to promote memorial benches and other park furnishings as a gracious way to remember people and enhance our parks at lower cost to park funds. He is willing to volunteer time to develop a policy

proposal. Martha Kern-Boprie noted the Park Commission and Staff should retain the final decision about type of furnishing and location, when a memorial is proposed.

C. Board Liaison

Trustee Bernice Lindke reported on the April 19 Township Board meeting. The Schock Park memo of understanding was left off the agenda; and will be on the May 17 agenda. Dixboro Green is applying for a well and septic permit. Treasurer Brenda McKinney is appointing Lisa Lewis as Deputy Treasurer. The motion for the Salem Springs sewer proposal was denied.

D. Board Meeting Attendee

Terry Lee Lansing attended the April 19 Township Board meeting. The board approved resurfacing Geddes Road from Superior Road west to Dixboro Road. A clean up is taking place from Harris and MacArthur east to the county boundary. Brush whacking and trash removal will take place.

E. Park Steward

No report.

F. Safety

Patrick Pigott reported a staff member was scratched as he climbed off some equipment. Another staff member fell and injured his ribs. He was off work for a few days.

8. Communications

- A. Educational: Environmental Initiatives
- B. Oakbrook Sports Park Reservation
- C. "Seed Quilt" at Cherry Hill Nature Preserve
- D. Update Cherry Hill Nature Preserve Map by John Copley

It was moved by Martha Kern-Boprie and supported by Nahid Sanii-Yahyai to receive the Communications. The motion carried.

9. Old Business

None.

10. New Business

A. Prescribed Burn at Cherry Hill Nature Preserve

David Borneman, LLC submitted a proposal to conduct a controlled burn in Cherry Hill Nature Preserve (CHNP) during Spring 2021. Specific areas within CHNP that will be burned will be decided by park staff and Mr. Borneman. Responsibilities of the contractor David Borneman, LLC and Superior Township Park Department are detailed in the written proposal. Cost of the burn is \$4,600. It was moved by Martha Kern-Boprie and supported by Guy Conti to approve the controlled burn by David Borneman, LLC in Cherry Hill Nature Preserve during Spring 2021, according to the terms of the April 2021 proposal by David Borneman, LLC for an amount not to exceed \$4,600.00. The motion carried.

11. Bills for Payment

It was moved by Terry Lee Lansing and supported by Martha Kern-Boprie to approve payment of the bills totaling \$14,564.38 at 4/26/2021. The motion carried.

12. Financial Statements

- A. March 2021 Revenue & Expenditure Report
- B. March 2021 Balance Sheet
- C. Easter Egg Expenditures

It was moved by Terry Lee Lansing and supported by Nahid Sanii-Yahyai to receive the March financial statements. The motion carried.

Approved by Superior Charter Township Park Commission on 5/24/2021.

13. Pleas and Petitions

Guy Conti informed the Park Commission he also attended the April Township Board meeting. He complimented Trustee Bernice Lindke on her exceptionally good work at the meeting.

Nahid Sanii-Yahyai alerted the Park Commission we may need someone to volunteer to attend the May Township Board meeting on 5/17/21 as Marion Morris is scheduled for that meeting, but she may not be well enough. Martha Kern-Boprie volunteered to cover this meeting.

14. Adjournment

It was moved by Martha Kern-Boprie and supported by Nahid Sanii-Yahyai to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 pm. The motion carried.

Submitted by,

Martha Kern-Boprie, Park Commissioner and Secretary