

Regular Parks Commission Meeting on February 28, 2022

CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL 6:35PM

Chairperson – MarryAnn Devries-Present
Vice-chairperson - Kevin Louden-Present
Secretary - Judy Risdon- Present
Treasurer – Gary Baumgardener- Present
Recreation Director - Scott Kuebler- Present
Public present; 5

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to accept the agenda made by Judy Risdon, 2nd by Scott Kuebler. Yeas carry

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to accept the minutes as amended made with the adjusted January bills total of \$6702.23. by Scott Kuebler, 2nd by Kevin Louden. Yeas carry

TREASURER’S REPORT – balance/pooled cash as of 1-31-2022 was **\$136,718.59**

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT -amount **\$7647.20**

The last collection for the Parks entry fees was \$5771.24.

Motion made to accept the Treasure’s report & to pay bills made by Gary Baumgardener, 2nd by Scott Kuebler. Yeas carry

CORRESPONDENCE - Pine Lake Recreation request

An email was received requesting the reserving Pine Lake Rec for a graduation party of 75 – 100 guests. We don’t usually charge a fee for the use of the park. Should we have a security deposit? Never have.

Should we have a “Donation” Box cemented into the ground near the entrance? Let’s keep discussing this.

PARKS REPORT –T K Pence

1. Docks for the launch sites

Need to find new estimates. Current vendor is unable to provide at this time. Docks are needed for Upper & Lower Crooked Lake, and Center Street. Three 24 ft., easy in/out, one section ADA compliant with ramp docks are required. Judy Risdon has a contact she will call for bids for wood v composite docks.

2. Dog Bag Dispensers

Five are needed {GL, UCL, Municipal Park, Pine Lake Rec, LCL}

A motion was made to purchase five Dog Bag Posts @ \$150.00 and Five Rolls of bags @ \$60.00 by Scott Kuebler, 2nd by Judy Risdon. Yeas carry

3. Waste Disposal

Republic has a bid coming in for all waste pick up at all parks starting April 1. When the bid arrives T K will forward it to the Chair for decision whether to accept the bid. The Board agrees.

4. We need to look at using Porta Potty at Gull Lake launch during the winter months and locking restroom doors. The men's room has been vandalized and needed to be cleaned out with a shovel.
5. Grills for replacement at GL are awaiting budget approval before purchasing.

FISHING TOURNAMENT UPDATE

GULL LAKE HAS 53 FISHING TOURNAMENTS
UPPER CROOKED HAS 44
LOWER CROOKED HAS 2
PINE LAKE HAS 30 SCHEDULED WITH 17 @ CENTER STREET

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes - state name and address)

1. Jim Stoneburner, Supervisor, likes the 'Donation' Box idea and would like to add a 'Suggestion' Box also.
2. Richard Van Niman, 12710 Merlau Ave, stated there are people who take the entire roll of bags, as has happened in the past.
3. Larry Carter, Gull Lake, Member of the Gull Lake Sailing Club, Wished to Thank the Commission for their efforts and they enjoy using the park. Also the Ice Sailing Club was out running this past weekend. He also thought we should check the Dog dispenser.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Gull Lake Life jackets

Judy Risdon spoke with Gail Turlock about the sailing classes and having a 'chest with life jackets' available for those who need them. She was indecisive about when the classes were to start and who was going to be responsible. Judy told her when she had more definite information to get back with us.

Richard Van Niman stated there was an article in the 'Riparian' Magazine, a research group was studying the use/offering of life jackets to those on White Lake.

A discussion ensued about offering life jackets, having life rings, and horseshoe pits at the parks and the liability of these offerings. Legal will be contacted.

UCL Wash Station

Barry & Prairieville Supervisors and residents of Upper Crooked Lake have been meeting and are eager to get the wash station functioning again.

Action Plan Review

The Action Plan needs to be reviewed frequently. We just reviewed it during the Budget Meeting.

Ordinance Review

After reviewing the Ordinances and reviewing the Attorney's comments, **a motion was made to adopt the proposed changes to Ordinance 152 by Judy Risdon, 2nd by Gary Baumgardener. Yeas carry**
The proposed changes will be sent to legal for review.

NEW BUSINESS

Gull Lake time lock discussion

We need to look at using a time lock on the restroom at the Gull Lake launch and locking restroom doors. The men's room has been vandalized the last 2 weeks and needed to be cleaned out with a shovel. The doors need to be locked and a porta-potty hired for the winter months.

We'll keep this in mind for a decision next winter.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes - state name and address)

1. Craig Shoemaker had questions about the Action Plan. We have the Five Year Plan posted on the website.
When was the last time a gran was used? Three years ago.
Amendments can be made to the Five Year Plan during the five years. Craig will review the plan He has some ideas for grants.
2. Richard Van Niman, 12710 Merlau Ave, suggested floating docks for the replacements, offering the vendor Auto & RV , 22203 M-40 SOUTH, GOBLES, MI 49055 (269) 628-4727 . The docks can be made to order.
3. Ted Devries, 12712 Merlau, stated Judy Pence had reviewed the Treasures Report and found \$302 in the budget needed to be moved to the line item for office supplies.
4. Larry Carter, Gull Lake, questioned the ordinance amendment. The motion was reviewed and adjustments made.

BOARD COMMENTS

Chairperson – MarryAnn Devries

Thank you everyone!

Vice-chairperson - Kevin Louden

I want to thank everyone for their public comments.

Secretary - Judy Risdon

It is done!! Thank you for all your work on Ordinance 150! It was a good meeting.

Treasurer – Gary Baumgardener

MarryAnn, I really appreciate all your efforts.

Recreation Director - Scott Kuebler

The fisherman were catching the smelt and pike on Gull. Thank you everyone for coming.

ADJOURNMENT

**A motion was made to adjourn by Scott Kuebler, 2nd by Judy Risdon.
Yeas carry @ 8:00PM**

Respectfully submitted:

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