

**FOREST HOME TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, June 21, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m.**

Members present: Carrie Hebden, Paul Trumble, Dean Crandall, Sheryl Guy and Stephanie Reid.
Absent: None.
Also present: Terry Smith, FHT Supervisor

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Correspondence: Trumble reported that he spoke with Corey Arsnoe about the tree removal at Gorham Beach and the removal is difficult requiring a professional with the proper equipment. A quote was provided by Ralph Hines at a cost of \$650.00.

Public Comment:

Terry Smith, FHT Supervisor reported that the Board has directed him to research a 30 acre parcel that has been offered to the Township for a cost of \$1,000.00 per acre owned by George Wilks. Said property is located near the old Bellaire Log Cabin and a large portion is considered swamp land, the parcel is adjacent to 115 acres of property owned by County. No plans have been discussed although the Board is thinking ahead to preserve natural state of land and possible opportunities in the future.

It was moved by Trumble, seconded by Guy that the Parks and Recreation Commission support the efforts of the Township Board and support the efforts of Terry Smith in his research of the Wilkes property and proposal. Motion carried – Unanimous

AGENDA:

It was moved by Trumble, seconded by Guy that the Agenda be approved as written. Motion carried – all present voting yes.

GORHAM BEACH TREE REMOVAL:

It was moved by Crandall, seconded by Guy to accept the quote from Ralph Hines in the amount of \$650.00 to remove the three (3) trees at the Gorham Beach Park. Motion carried – All present voting yes.

FHT COTTAGE DRIVE PARK – a/k/a Miley's Beach:

Hebden presented an Estimate and Proposal from Otherside Irrigation Services for the installation of an underground 3 zone Rain bird irrigation system including 20 rain bird rotors; install 1-1/2 hp Berkley pump and suction line on south east corner of beach. Install timer, pump start relay and rain sensor on post with new electric service. Included in the estimate is the first winterization and spring startup and one (1) year warranty at a quote of \$3,200.00. The additional cost quoted for an

Electrician running 220 volt line to pump at a cost of an additional \$800.00 if we use Mr. Udell's electrician.

Crandall spoke on loyalty to Corey and Mike Arsnoe who would be willing to install an irrigation system for the Township at the FHT Cottage Drive Family Park. Discussion followed. Concerns were raised regarding installation experience and warranty. Otherside Irrigation is a local business that specializes in irrigation system installation.

Members Trumble and Crandall offered to walk the site with Scott Udell owner of Otherside Irrigation to discuss the quote and review the location of the sprinkler heads, and recommend that the pump be set on a cement slab with lockable housing and will confirm while walking the site.

Crandall reported that Great Lakes Energy will be setting the pole at no cost to the Township and that Dave Watrous be the electrician for the project.

It was moved by Hebden, seconded by Crandall that the irrigation system proposal by Otherside Irrigation be accepted at a cost of \$3,200.00, and that electrician Dave Watrous provide the electrical needs. Motion carried – all present voting yes.

MINUTES:

It was moved by Trumble, seconded by Reid that the meeting minutes of May 17, 2017 be approved as corrected. Motion carried all present voting yes.

OTHER:

Hebden reported that the annual notice for the FHT Parks will be published in the Antrim Review that is distributed prior to the 4th of July.

Next meeting date July 18th, 2017

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Chairman, Carrie Hebden

Secretary, Sheryl Guy