# FOREST HOME TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, October 12, 2016

7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Carrie Hebden, Paul Trumble, Sheryl Guy, Dean Crandall, Bev Isenbarger

Absent: None

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Carrie Hebden at 7:00 p.m.

**Public Comment:** There was none.

## **Correspondence:**

The Forgrave and Powell families have brought to the FHT Board their concerns when exiting Pinnel Road onto Torch Lake Drive that they are unable to see traffic coming due to the tall grass. They have asked that the Township include the hill top in mowing contract.

#### **MINUTES:**

It was moved by Trumble, seconded by Isenbarger that the minutes of September 21, 2016 be approved as written. Motion carried – Unanimous.

#### AGENDA:

It was moved by Isenbarger, seconded by Trumble that the agenda be approved as written. Motion carried – Unanimous.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Arrowhead Park – Guy

No report.

Gorham Beach – Isenbarger

No report.

FHT Cottage Drive Family Park – Crandall & Trumble

Reported the neighbor on the south side of the park has tree branches that are poking through our fence. The branches that are poking through our fence will be cut.

Ron Robinson has been very busy with his workload and is hoping that he will be able to plant the two (2) maple trees this fall.

Loon Nursery – Carrie Hebden

Reported that the park continues to be used

Glacial Hills - Crandall

Reported the Volunteer Appreciation gathering was held with twenty five (25) volunteers present.

Jim Fischer has developed an application for smart phones to locate your location while in trail system. The application also can be used to report downed trees and maintenance as needed. Many of the riders use the application map my ride.

FHT Board has appropriated \$5,000 to Glacial Hills for operations.

Tom Frey was appointed to the Glacial Hills Board.

The counters recorded weekly nearly 1600 people in Glacial Hills during the months of June, July, and August.

The Sevald family has permission to access their property for logging projects through the edge of our field until 2018. At that time they may request an extension or renewal agreement to continue access. Paul Drisedale is responsible and oversees the logging projects for the Sevald family which includes seeing that all road repairs are completed upon completion of projects.

# FHT Family Park – Trumble

Reported that the last curb at the bottom of walkway has washed out, caused by water from the stoned area. Improvements will need to be made to prevent further wash outs. Dock has been pulled for the season.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Bev Isenbarger announced that she will be resigning at the end of the year and has enjoyed being a member of the commission for the last 18 years.

Members expressed that they are very sorry to hear of her resignation and noted that she has been an exceptional member of the committee and has been a solid leader of the Parks and Recreation Commission. She has worked very hard for the residents of Forest Home Township and visitors of our area. She has worked to improve all public parks and road endings and to acquire properties that provide public access and use of our lakes.

Hebden reported that the Township Board will be making an appointment to replace the vacant position. Letters of interest need to be submitted to the Township for consideration.

## OTHER:

The next meeting November 16, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m.

November meeting the commission will work on the 2017-2018 Budget & Work Plan and review the 2015-2016 yearend report.

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.	
Chairman, Carrie Hebden	Secretary, Sheryl Guy