

FOREST HOME TOWNSHIP  
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, July 20, 2016 @ 7:00 P.M.

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

Absent: None

Also present: Corey Arsnoe

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 7:00 P.M.

Public Comment: There was none.

Correspondence: There was none.

**MINUTES:**

It was moved by Trumble, seconded by Isenbarger that the June 15, 2016 meeting minutes be approved. Motion carried – Unanimous.

**AGENDA:**

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

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Hebden reported that she had contacted the Township Attorney William Derman, Jr. regarding the questions that the commission has regarding Reel Haven Plat – South Shore Street and Greig's Maplewood Plat – Pleasant Street. Both roads are dedicated to the use of the public, and can be marked, signed and installation of fencing where appropriate. The Antrim County Road Commission does not maintain these streets, they are considered "Paper Roads" as they were never developed, hence only exist on paper. This is why the Antrim County Road Commission does not maintain these two (2) sites.

Discussion followed.

Corey reported that his crew has cleaned up Reel Haven/South Street and will be adding mulch and install steps and move rock at the shoreline to prevent erosion. There is plenty of room for a picnic table and if commission agrees to have one installed it will not be a problem.

Corey reported that he and his crew have also worked on the following:

620/Meeders – Rocks had washed out and in the lake, they were pulled back up into position to create wall to prevent washout/erosion. This site was mowed and cleanup.

Gorham Beach – in really good shape and crew is currently keeping an eye on the dead tree and limbs that may fall.

Pinnel –Mowed and pickup. Discussion followed.

Improvements considered: Retention wall at shoreline and Stone tiers to prevent erosion, similar to Cottage Drive FHT Park /Miley's, plantings and berms may be helpful. Paul and Dean will meet Corey at the site to evaluate what can be done to prevent any further erosion. Soil

Erosion permit may be needed will check with the Soil Erosion Officer after site has been evaluated.

Steiner Road at Sunset Condos – repaired fence and will be add stone at the shoreline and seed.  
Arrowhead Park – In good shape, will remove dead shrubs that are surrounding the porta-john and replace with tall grass.

Jacob's – Road entrance is a very steep hill and will add 5-10 yards of Afton stone.

Niepoth/Green Street – Will continue to work on this site as discussed earlier.

Cottage Driver FHT Park/Miley's – Tighten fencing and will add gravel at road entrance as needed. This fall will need to add top soil and seed.

Pleasant Street – Step repair

Dewey – Add rock to shoreline and install steps. This fall remove dead trees.

Snowflake – Replace post and set in concrete for added support. Hammer down nails and will use judgment at this site.

Lynn Road/Lessard – fence repairs

Hebden stated that she has observed a moored boat at this site and will continue to keep watch.

Corey stated that he and his crew have picked up small amounts of garbage from all sites. It was agreed that he purchase garbage bags and add the cost to his bill.

Dean Crandall reported that he was at a meeting that Representative Triston Cole was also attending and had mentioned the issues that our commission has had with the request for installing an underground sprinkler system at the Cottage Drive Park and that Representative Cole did show interest in this project and asked that all the information be forwarded to him.

### **Arrowhead Park**

Guy reported that the park is in great shape.

### **Glacial Hills**

Crandall reported porta-john in bad shape. Lee Kurt hired by Friends of Glacial to manage trails and is doing a great job. Fund raising campaign planned this fall, and event at site is planned in August. The Grand Traverse Land Conservancy is using site as a showcase and our working relationship has improved.

### **Gorham Beach**

Isenbarger reported that the park is in great shape, but continue to watch the dead tree along fence.

### **Cottage Drive Park/Miley's**

Isenbarger and Trumble reported that park is in good shape.

### **Loon Nursery**

Hebden reported in good shape.

Corey suggested adding a sign making trail to the left .3 miles (maybe an arrow with a walking person).

### **FHT Family Park**

Trumble reported that there is a little washout after the hail storm at the bottom of steps.

**Porta-Johns**

Crandall will check to see if the porta-johns can be changed out at all locations. None have been changed out since they were placed at all sites.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

It was agreed that a picnic table would be added to Lynn Road ending.

Crandall showed sample of signs made by King ColorCore/Kings Plastic Products out of Grand Rapids that do not fade. May want to consider getting pricing the next time signs are ordered.

**OTHER:**

Next regular meeting August 17, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 P.M.

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Carrie Hebden, Chairman

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Sheryl Guy, Secretary