

**PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
October 18, 2023
5:15 PM**

Members present: Paul Trumble, Sheryl Guy, George Schneller, Dean Crandall and Christina Kretschmer.

Absent none.

The Chair Guy called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE:

Trumble provided a verbal report for Corey Arsnoe on the maintenance status of the township parks and road endings. Public Comment closed at 5:22 p.m.

AGENDA:

Moved by Crandall, and seconded by Trumble, that the commission approve the October 18, 2023 agenda as presented. Motion carried – all present voting yes.

MINUTES:

Moved by Trumble, and seconded by Schneller, that the commission approve the meeting minutes of September 20, 2023 as presented. Motion carried – all present voting yes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Forest Home Township Parks & Recreation Plan 2024-2028 final draft:

Final draft of the FHT Parks & Recreation Plan five-year (5) discussion held.

No changes recommended.

The Chair will call a special meeting if the timeframe becomes too tight due to the 30-day review period. To assure that the final draft Plan has no changes and that the commission makes a recommendation to the FHT Board take action on Plan prior to 2024 as the Township will not meet in the months of January or February 2024.

Village of Bellaire “Richard Park Reimagining Plan”

Guy provided all members with the document from Williams & Works.

Review and Discussion:

Crandall recommended that the Village Parks & Recreation Commission meet with our commission to discuss their plans. Crandall suggested that a meeting be set at the FHT Hall at 5:15 p.m. on Wednesday, November 1, 2023 and that he will contact the Village Parks & Recreation Commission to set up joint meeting.

Gorham Beach: Crandall

Addressed the status of the application for permit with Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, Water Resources Division (EGLE). He has not applied for the EGLE permit and asked that Kretschmer complete the application for Gorham Beach Phase #1, he will be leaving for the winter. Apply information online with the Gaylord District Office, contact person Keri Kent. Kretschmer agreed to research process and make application for permit.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

OTHER:

Next regular meeting date November 15, 2023 at 5:15 p.m.

Crandall will contact the Chair if there is an agreement for a joint meeting with the Village of Bellaire Parks & Recreation Commission for November 1, 2023.

No various matters.

The meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl Guy
Chairperson