

**Whitewater Township
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
Minutes for Monday, May 13, 2013**

Call to Order by Chairman Mouser at 7:05 pm

Roll Call of Advisory Committee Members

Committee Members Present: Mouser, Leach, Melton, Knapp, Donkers, Hubbell (late)

Committee Members Absent: None

Set/Adjust Meeting Agenda

Declaration of Conflict of Interest None

Public Comment None

Approval of Minutes (4/8/2013)

Motion to approve minutes by Leach seconded by Knapp , all in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence Six surveys received from public.

Reports/Presentations/Announcements/Comments: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

1. **Public Input:** In order of most comments on survey: Walking path at Hi Pray, Disc Golf, bike path, playground equipment, trail markers, trail maps, connect to TART trail, trail similar to VASA, beach improvements, expand camp sites, tennis and softball leagues, grills.
Discussion on funds / possibly a millage. Need to plan what we want before funds can really be discussed. Rate changes for camping. Disc Golf would be a revenue enhancement, monies could easily be used from the revenues of the Township Park. Increase revenue base: credit cards and gifts at the Township Park, leagues.
Most comments received at the Whitewater Township Park refer to: Park Rd., boat launch with service dock, boat launch rules/etiquette, better volleyball court, better bathroom (pit toilet complaints), lots of dead trees and hanging dead branches. No complaints regarding the steps, bad idea to eliminate steps. Edie to take article to the Park for additional input.
Incorporate survey results into Rec. Master Plan. Put TART trail info into the P&R Master Plan.
2. Discussion of establishing schedule to discuss/review suggestions for Park Rules and Rates for 2014. Go to the Township website and check the Park information. Discuss in June then formalize in July. Township Park (camping) is not utilized by township residents very much, nothing draws them to the park. Laptop computer or desktop computer at the Park? Set up an Excel Spreadsheet. Look at laptop or tablet or creating a spreadsheet.
Bill to get the Parks and Rec budget information from Ron. Lois to get information on the Parks and Rec's Funds balances.

Lossie Road Trail has been marked. Need to get the stakes out immediately. The Board has it on the agenda to get the stakes and approve labor to get them installed. Sign to say "Authorized motorized vehicles on the trail only".

Motion by Knapp to recommend to the Board where the markers should be placed, possible stake type, seconded by Leach. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Volunteers for stake installation? See what the Board is proposing. Mouser to attend Board meeting.

Motion by Melton to request a Board liason on our committee, second by Knapp. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Public Comment None

Adjournment 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois MacLean

Recording Secretary