

**Whitewater Township
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
Regular Minutes for Monday, February 10, 2020**

Call to order 7:07 p.m.

Roll Call: Butler, Cosgrove, Hubbell, Leach

Absent: Melton, Slopsema

Also in attendance Clerk Goss

Set / Approve Agenda: Set

Declaration of Conflict of Interest: None

Public Comment: Approval of minutes:

Motion by Leach second by Butler to approve the January 13, 2020, meeting minutes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Reports/Presentations/Announcements/Comments/Correspondence:

Unfinished Business:

1. Hi Pray Batting Cage: Schedule work bee to hang batting cage net. Table scheduling of a date until the March meeting.
2. Whitewater Township Park playground: Melton attended a webinar and will share with the committee next month.
3. Trail Signs: Discussion: Trail corrections; quote from Image 360. Consensus to use treated 4x4s to mount signs. Change the triangle icon to a bench on the signs and add a playground icon. Mileage will be added. Discussion about the numbering system that seems confusing. Changes will be made to the numbering and mileage which will require some changes to the map. The trail will be red or yellow – something more contrasting to the green. Park Road, boat launch and campground areas will be labeled. Map should be 12x18 not 12x8. Consensus to state total mileage for the farthest length, the mid length and the shortest length. Suggestion to have a trail map installed at the park office and the bathhouse. Name: Whitewater Township Park Trails. Goss will get a better quote on just the signs before the next meeting. Goss will check the price of 4x4 posts. Hubbell said they are \$7.37 at Lowe's.
4. High Pray Park Dugouts: Goss updated the committee with the latest information from Fleis & VandenBrink. Discussion followed. Leach will check with someone in Kalkaska who might be able to quote it. Hubbell suggest Jacklyn Steel. Also suggests using mesh for the roof with fencing on the sides. Hubbell will get a price on a wood frame. Consensus to price out posts and fencing from a fence company with a mesh top and gravel for the floor. Hubbell will call GT Canvas to get information on various sizes of mesh tops. Goss will check on whether we need a permit for that type of fence.
5. Budget 2020/2021: Goss discussed budget items with the committee and will update figures. Consensus to order three "No Motorized Vehicles Beyond This Point" signs. Hubbell indicates he can pick them up at Gill-Roy's, two for Lossie Trail and one for BCNA.

A field trip will be needed to assess an east entry parking lot at the Lossie Road Nature Trail.

Cosgrove said it is important to think about adding volunteer time or labor time, regarding the tennis backboard. Discussion turned to the building and grounds worker job and filling the position.

Hubbell suggested that there be a gravel parking lot near the lower field at Hi Pray.

New Business: None

Next regular meeting: March 16, 2020, please note this is the third Monday. Agenda: Trail signs updates; batting cage net work bee; playground webinar (Melton); dugouts-materials and quotes.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois MacLean

Recording Secretary