

**Whitewater Township  
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee  
Regular Minutes for Monday, March 13, 2017**

**Call to order 7:03 p.m.**

**Roll Call:** Butler, Melton, Cosgrove, Hubbell, Leach

Absent: Decker

Also in attendance Recording Secretary MacLean

**Set / Approve Agenda:** Set

**Declaration of Conflict of Interest:** None

**Public Comment:** 8784 Palestrum Rd., Phil Knapp. Congratulations on the accomplishments, especially the Rec Plan! I have walked the trails and see good work there. The Nature Conservancy article on pages 18 & 19, a feature about "Atlanta Naturally", *Into the Woods* and *Head for the Hills* has a picture of a wooden walkway. Trail at the Grass River Natural Area has a nice one too, along with one that is off 131 that gets to the Manistee River. Would like to see something like this.

**Approval of February 13, 2017, Regular Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Hubbell, second by Cosgrove to approve the minutes. All in Favor. Motion carried.

**Reports/Presentations/Announcements/Comments/Correspondence:** Popp emails about going to a Board's Basics Meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> in TC and the MSU Citizen Planner. Correspondence from Clerk incorporated into Unfinished Business discussions.

**Unfinished Business:**

1. Hi-Pray Park playground equipment:

Choice of colors Merry-Go-Round: base Red with the bars Yellow. Tall slide: Parrot theme, brown platform Small slide: Parrot theme, brown platform.

Delivery: Six weeks for delivery, will need at least 3 people, box cutters, wire snips, gloves and small pry bar Where: Hubbell has a place to put it. c/o North Point Farms – Attention Brandon, 8055 Angell Rd., Williamsburg, preferably delivered on skid.

Safety Surface: Sand and wood chips are allowed. Check on price comparisons of base materials. Sand may be available locally, free or cheap. Will need a dump truck. Placement discussion. May need new swing seats.

**New Business:**

1. MLB Grants – quarterly dates, Jan/April/July/Oct 1; free webinar Wednesday, March 15.

2. 5-year Rec Plan; DNR response eligibility Land and Water, Rec Passport and MI Natural Resources Trust Fund not Waterways Harbor Grant.

Place equipment at Hi-Pray Park May 5 & 6 & 7 and finishing on the 13 if we can plan and get everything together. Worker-bee – clean up date in coordination with the Little League after the equipment is placed.

Walk through at Hi-Pray on Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m.

Next regular meeting April 10, 2017, 7 p.m.

Agenda items: Discuss the walk through at Hi-Pray. Recommendation on surface material.

**Public Comment:** None

**Adjournment: 9:05 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Lois MacLean  
Recording Secretary