

**Whitewater Township
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
Regular Minutes for Monday, April 9, 2018**

Call to order 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Cosgrove, Hubbell, Leach, Melton

Absent: Butler, Decker

Also in attendance Recording Secretary MacLean

Set / Approve Agenda: Set

Declaration of Conflict of Interest: None

Public Comment. None

Approval of March 12, 2018, Regular meeting minutes.

MOTION by Leach, second by Cosgrove to approve the minutes. On voice vote: All in favor. Motion carried.

Reports/Presentations/Announcements/Comments/Correspondence:

Email from Clerk Goss:

No discussion necessary for the committee regarding the Park signs.

Batting Cage/Pitching Machine/Shed: Rotary Works Grant: Tom will talk with Chuck about the grant.

Unfinished Business:

1. Parks & Rec 2018 Budget request update. Budget has been approved by the Board, approximately \$39,000 for Rec., \$17,000 for Park.

2. BCNA. GIS office update:

3. Tentative Scheduling of Projects:

a. Whitewater Township Park playground equipment installation – June

b. Hi Pray Batting Cage:

i. Caleb will be setting up a pre-workbee session to go over materials, timelines, and scheduling actual workbee with Lloyd Miracle and his community project team mates. Does PRAC need to be involved in that meeting? Caleb needs to get the materials list ready.

Pitching machine and shed have been approved by the board. Caleb is responsible to get his list of materials and a purchase order together with the Clerk. Check on prices & delivery at Gil-Roy's.

ii. Caleb wants to schedule the initial build for April 28th weekend. Will need approval for the material purchases. Get Purchase Orders lined up. Discussion of roof. Donation of material for the business' recognition of the donation.

iii. The final touches and shed portion can be finalized after May 15.

c. BCNA & Lossie Trail signage/upgrades: schedule – wait on grants information

Barb Beckett was contacted about the batting cage and seemed pretty excited about it.

New Business:

1. Get the equipment scheduled with Wheelock. Request the purchase order, \$1,700. Schedule workbee to get the playground equipment project going ASAP. Schedule Steuer as soon as the Wheelock time line is set. The plan for the project area: Steuer will strip it, we will get the mat in, equipment, sand.

Make the final list of materials: chain, swing seats, excavating, etc., to get purchase orders from Clerk.

Discussion of the trees in the berms at Hi-Pray. Remove the bushes, prune the trees, may be enough. Grass or perennial low growth plants on the berms. Spruce up the parking lot: Harley rake, respreads the gravel, reshape. Brandon knows someone with one. (Kyle Regal, Avery Excavating) May be able to do a lot of the cleaning of the berms with the rake also. Don't think it would look good if the berms were removed and completely flattened out. It would open it up too much.

Request that the Board reconsider removing the trees and berms, slowed down the process. Melissa will bring it up at the meeting tomorrow night. The trees are pretty large.

The ball diamonds likely need to be spruced up. Possibly at the time of clearing the berms.

Next regular meeting: May 14, 2018

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lois MacLean
Recording Secretary