

**Whitewater Township
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
In person and via ZOOM
Regular Minutes for Monday, June 8, 2020**

Call to order 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Butler, Leach, Slopsema, Hubbell

Via Zoom: Melton, Cosgrove

Also in attendance Clerk Goss

Set / Approve Agenda: Set

Declaration of Conflict of Interest: None

Public Comment: None

Approval of minutes:

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

Reports/Presentations/Announcements/Comments/Correspondence: None

Unfinished Business:

1. Hi Pray Batting Cage: Hubbell will pick up fasteners to install the net. Melton and Hubbell will work to get the net up by the 14th.

Motion by Slopsema, second by Leach to purchase a keypad lock and sanitation supplies.

Roll call: Slopsema-yes; Leach-yes; Cosgrove-yes; Hubbell-yes; Melton-yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

2. Whitewater Township Park and Hi Pray Park playground: Clerk is waiting on a quote from a contractor to move the rocks by the swings, move the merry-go-round and move the monkey bars to address use zone violations. We have \$5,000 budgeted for playground equipment. Will enlarge the area also.

There are signs at Whitewater Twp. (WT) Park indicating people are responsible to sanitize playground equipment. Get signs for Hi Pray Park playground also.

3. Trail Signs:

Need 10 WT Park trail maps.

Motion by Slopsema, second by Butler to purchase the signs as quoted by Image360.

Roll call: Leach-yes; Cosgrove-yes; Hubbell-yes; Melton-yes; Slopsema-yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Melton notes that we had previously discussed arrows and numbers for the posts.

Lossie Trail, no motorized vehicle sign. Once the signs come in Slopsema will add the signs to the existing posts.

Kiosks: Leach is willing to create, quote and build the discussed kiosk.

BCNA: Melton notes that people are looping around the pond and ending up on private property. Need to get three "Trail End" signs and two "Stay no Trail – Respect Private Property" signs.

The walk with Steve of the GT Land Conservancy at BCNA for potential of creating a loop trail has been postponed. We are willing to look at his ideas. Possibly connect BCNA and Lossie Trail.

4. High Pray Park Dugouts: Mesh, fencing or local metal fab options – updates - schedule.

Slopsema: Durable Fence withdrew bid of \$5,000 for fence only. Apple Fence would not even quote it. Perfect Fence quote: with steel roof \$8,700 for two dugouts, complete with gates. Will need to get drawing from an engineer. Must have the drawing approved and have the roof meet snow and wind loads.

Lynn Peterson is interested in working on the dugout project. He can draw something up and quote.

Hubbell: If we got a fence style and have the little league put the tarp up and down they could get advertising on the tarp. Do we need drawings or permits if it is with a tarped roof? Melton will contact the county.

Melton contacted Amber Voice about the tarp idea.

New Business: Rec Plan review: update any maps, update any changes, update any long and short term plans. Current plan is 2016-2020. Update to 2021-2025. Need to make sure the Rec Plan meets DNR requirements . Will need to get public input. General information can be gotten. Melton and Goss have access to the DNR info.

Next regular meeting: July 13, 2020. In person and Zoom if necessary.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois MacLean

Recording Secretary