

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

**Call to order 7:00 p.m.**

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

Absent: None

Also in attendance Clerk Goss

**Set / Approve Agenda:** Set

**Declaration of Conflict of Interest:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Approval of minutes:**

**Motion** by Hubbell, second by Butler to approve July 13, 2020, meeting minutes. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Reports/Presentations/Announcements/Comments/Correspondence:** None

**Unfinished Business:**

1. Batting Cage application, rules and reservation are completed. They are at the batting cage and will be posted on the website in the next couple of days. Open for business. Melton will test it out.  
Slopsema notes the ball field and park were very busy last week.
2. Dug Outs – Board approved the Perfect Fence plan including the additional cushion for up to \$18,000. Perfect Fence sketch received and forwarded to engineer for engineered drawing for GT County. Should hear from them by the end of the week.  
Do we have everything, all the additional steps, moving forward such as demolition, leveling, etc.?  
Bench styles need to be decided.
3. Trail signs – BCNA: Melton. Details on WT Park trail signs Clerk to order from Image 360. Use the higher contrast coloring. Numbers and arrows in blue and white.
4. Trail signs update: All signs for BCNA have been installed.  
Clerk will get the WT Park signs ordered this week. Installation plan: Brandon has the 4x4 posts. Some posts that are there are still good. ½ bag of concrete for each post. Posts can go up anytime. Will need marker stakes placed. Leach may have access to a small digger.
5. Whitewater Township Park: Playground project is on hold. Would like the area expanded. To be completed: Rocks moved at the swingset, monkey bars need to be repositioned, merry-go-round need to be repositioned. Budgeted \$5,000 to address adequate space zones and base material. Budget for next year. The extra set of monkey bars can go to the beach play area.  
Boat launch will be delayed until next year.
6. Whitewater Township Park beach: Erosion has exposed the fabric over the rocks. Caution tape is up as a safety precaution. Beach sand has been brought in multiple times over the years. The beach area needs to be a larger project addressed in the future. A second beach on the north side of the boat launch is on the park's conceptual plan.
7. Tennis Court back board is done.

Leach notes that the BCNA kiosk has fallen down. Leach will create three kiosks in the next couple weeks for installation.

**New Business:**

Rec Plan review:

Set a date for completion. Plan for a public hearing in December.

To be addressed:

#11 Capital Improvements list.

Add WT Park Trail map

Look into ADA, Disability Network requirements

DNR check list

Send a postcard to direct people to the website for a public input survey. Use survey monkey, email the township list, notify of public input meetings. Get township board input. Let people know of the improvements that have been made.

Park road is brought up a lot as is a walking path at Hi Pray Park.

Rec Plan, page 11, #8, Recreational inventory, batting cage, action programs

**Next regular meeting:** September 14, 2020.

**Public Comment:** None

**Adjournment: 8:57 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lois MacLean

Recording Secretary