

**Whitewater Township
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
Regular Minutes for Monday, December 12, 2016**

Call to order 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Butler, Melton, Leach, Hubbell

Absent: Cosgrove, Decker

Also in attendance Recording Secretary MacLean, Clerk Goss

Set / Approve Agenda: Set

Declaration of Conflict of Interest: None

Public Comment: None

Approval of October 10, 2016, and November 14, 2016, Minutes: Motion by Hubbell, second by Leach to approve the minutes. All in Favor. Motion carried.

Reports/Presentations/Announcements/Comments/Correspondence: \$325 to \$400 to have grating made for Battle Creek at the pond where the beavers dam up the flow. Leach to get a purchase order, order the grates and get the bolts, etc. Hubbell drew out a plan to build a 16x16 platform with a rail (add benches) and put it out for quotes. Brandon will also get prices for just materials so it can be presented for part of the 2017/2018 budget.

Put up a sign to keep people off the pond ice. DANGER - FLOWING WATER - UNSAFE ICE

Discussion of the BCNA and the Management Plan.

Opportunities for grants are available for "education trails".

Signage at the platform and along the trail. Put together some pricing for signage for the budget.

Look into stocking the pond with trout for kids, first – third grade.

Unfinished Business:

1. Parks and Recreation Plan approved by the DNR with no changes requested!
2. Grants/Project opportunities 2016/2017.
3. Pit toilets design is on the Board agenda for 12/13. Get a small water heater instead of the "on demand" type.
4. Capital Improvement Budgets for 2017 including the previously discussed BCNA information.
5. Unallocated 2016 Rec Funds; can we get approval to get playground equipment at Hi-Pray. Proposal from Chuck forwarded to Goss for the January Board meeting.

Go with the GTB grant for the WTP playground equipment then go to the Board for getting it in the budget.

New Business:

1. Tom Cosgrove question: In general, amounts must be approved by the board for matching grants.

Additional comments: .

Next regular meeting January 9, 2017, 7 p.m.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lois MacLean
Recording Secretary