

Revised

Minutes: Bear Creek Twp. Parks and Recreation Committee meeting
6/15/20
6:00 PM via Zoom

Members Present: Jerry Bush, Dave Farris, Dan Goldsmith, Doug Kendziorski, Matt Koontz, Joe Villemure.

Also present: Jenni Neal from Northwest Networks (NN), Dennis Keiser

Villemure: We will be looking at what NN intends to do (regarding P and R plan) and discuss public hearings,

Jenni Neal: She represents NN and lives in Bear Creek Twp. Last met with us in January. She is working on updating background information and will have that data for July meeting. She may include public participation in July. We will review the draft plan in August and/or September. Final draft will be in October with public feedback. Plan will be finished, ready for board approval in December and submitted to DNR by February.

Dennis Keiser: Should we have another meeting before public input?

Jenni Neal: NN is currently limiting employee contact with the public Due to Covid-19.

Joe Villemure: When does NN plan to let employees into the field?

Jenni Neal: August 1.

Joe Villemure: Jenni Neal can attend the August 3 meeting

JN: One public meeting is required at the township hall.

Dennis Keiser: Should twp. post public meeting?

Jenni Neal: Would like to have public meeting by October.

Joe Villemure: Can we plan on public meeting/ hearing for September 14? He will have it posted. Jenni Neal will meet with us August 3 to plan public meeting.

Joe Villemure summarizes: We need 1 public hearing (Sept. 14)

Jenni Neal will meet with us again in August

Project must be completed before Jan. 21 board meeting

Jenni Neal: She will try to have everything ready by November. She has visited Spring Lake Park and Jones Landing.

Joe Villemure: Would like to meet with Jenni Neal to look at all parks/ properties. They agree to meet /23. Dennis Keiser would like to participate as well. Agreed to meet 6/23, 9:00 PM at Taunton Property.

Jenni Neal exits meeting upon completion of discussion of P and R plan.

Joe Villemure: He will initial for member participation in Zoom meetings. P and R committee members now receive \$60 per meeting instead of \$50. Joe Villemure will prepare a packet for each member that will include a meeting schedule for the year. Needs a motion to change January 2020 minutes to read "Bear Creek " Twp. instead of "Resort" (note takers error).

Dan Goldsmith makes motion, Dave Farris seconds, Motion passes by 6-0 vote.

Jerry Bush reports on Spring Lake Park: 5 fence posts are replaced. Fence is power washed. Bathroom, pavilions, and signs are stained.

Joe Villemure: Powerwash of fence may need to be redone.

Dan Goldsmith reports on Jones Landing: Mike Still has done concrete work and memorial bench. DNR sign is being repainted. Joe Villemure will give Dan the code for paint for swing set. Joe will get 5 gallons of black/ no slip paint for slippery boards on sidewalk.

Joe Villemure is waiting to hear from Kendall Klingsmith (City of Petoskey P and R) regarding plans for dog park at Click Road property. Joe recommends that we look at Click Rd. property in July to see what we might want to do regarding a landing, etc.

Matt Koontz reports on Jones Landing shower tower: Bryon Hitner is checking availability of tower included in his bid. Matt KK recommends that township board votes on Hitner's most recent proposal to install shower tower, approval contingent upon availability of tower and price being the same as it was in January on the most recent proposal.

Dan Goldsmith moves to adjourn, Jerry Bush seconds. Passes 6-0. 6:40 PM.