

## Bear Creek Township Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting

Monday, October 5, 2020

Bear Creek Township Hall

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.
- II. Roll call
  - a. Members present: Joe Villemure, Dan Goldsmith, Jerry Bush, Don Nowland, Matt Koontz, Dave Farris, Doug Kendziorski
  - b. Special Guest: Jennifer Neal(Networks Northwest), Dennis Keiser(Township Supervisor), Emma Kendziorski(Township Clerk)
- III. Dan Goldsmith made a motion to accept the 8/24/20 Parks and Recreation meeting minutes. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jerry Bush. Passed unanimously.
- IV. Emma Kendziorski will be adjusting the start time posted on the township website to 6 pm for the Parks and Recreation meetings.
- V. Doug Kendziorski made a motion to open the public hearing for the 5 year Park and Recreation Plan at 6:05. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jerry Bush. Passed unanimously.
- VI. Dennis Keiser shared with the committee three comments received from the public. Jennifer Neal shared with the committee comments from Paige Perry(MDNR), Marry Campbell(NCTA), Kerry Wawsck(NCTA), and Becca Nelson.
- VII. Dave Farris made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:10. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jerry Bush. Passed unanimously.
- VIII. Jennifer went through the small changes she made to the 5 year Parks and Recreation Plan per the email she sent to all committee members, as well as making a couple of minor grammatical changes to the plan. Dennis Keiser questioned if we have permission to use all pictures in the 5 year plan. Jennifer gave full permission to use all of the photos she put in the 5 year plan and will be getting permission from the two pictures she included in the plan that she did not take personally. Jennifer will be taking out the language regarding the potential fire station at the Click Road property. Per Jennifer, Emily Meyerson wanted to know more about the access to the River Road property and if we have a primary access. Currently we use the City of Petoskey access. We have a secondary access, and until a feasibility study is done for the property's best use, it is not necessary to pursue getting a primary access, especially considering we don't know where the best location will be for a primary access at this time.
- IX. Dan Goldsmith made a motion that we send the resolution to the township board to accept the 5 year Park and Recreation Plan. Jerry Bush 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Joe Villemure took a roll call vote on the resolution. Every member on the committee vote in favor. Doug Kendziorski signed the resolution and gave to Emma Kendziorski.
- X. Joe Villemure let the committee know we will be discussing the Bear River Water Trail at the next scheduled meeting.
- XI. Per Dennis Keiser the shower tower installation is well under way at Jones Landing. We will be keeping the parks open while the weather permits. One of the Jones Landing dock posts is in need of replacement. This will be addressed in the spring.
- XII. Matt Koontz made a motion we accept the 2021-2025 Parks and Recreation Plan as drafted with the noted changes that will be made. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jerry Bush. Passed unanimously.
- XIII. Dennis Keiser thanked Jennifer Neal of Networks Northwest for assisting us in getting this 5 year plan completed.
- XIV. ~~Don~~ Don Nowland moved to adjourn the meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jerry Bush. Passed unanimously.

*Douglas J. Kendziorski*