



Louis M. Groen Nature Preserve – Otsego Lake County Park – Irontone Springs – Wah Wah Soo – Libke Fields – Community Center

MINUTES
OTSEGO COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 7TH 2016

Called to order at 6:00pm.

Members Present: Dave Baragrey, Tom Johnson, Abe Cruz, Butch Fleming, Bonny Miller, Randy Stults, Bill Holewinski, Judy Jarecki and Doug Johnson.

Members Absent: Scott Courterier.

Others Present: Kyle Ryan, Steve Hubbell and Debbie Hubbell.

Approval of Previous Minutes: A motion was made by Abe Cruz and seconded by Butch Fleming to accept the minutes from the October 10th 2016 meeting. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Steve and Debbie Hubbell discussed their property near Wah Wah Soo. Kyle Ryan stated that they County Attorney wrote a draft of an agreement letter for the landowners. Dave Baragrey asked to have the agreement at the December meeting.

Bills: A motion was made by Randy Stults and seconded by Butch Fleming to approve the bills from October 3rd – October 31st 2016 in the amount of \$5,803.36. Motion carried.

Director's Update:

- Kyle Ryan reported that Bear Basketball is in progress.
- Kyle Ryan stated that the Co-ed Volleyball League has started and has 20 teams.
- Kyle Ryan stated that Melissa Conn has been hired as the new part-time Community Center employee.
- Kyle Ryan reported that the parks are closed for the winter.
- Kyle Ryan stated the Community Center is really busy.
- Kyle Ryan reported that the State of Michigan approved the reimbursement check from the Building Healthy Communities Grant and it will be mailed soon.

Old Business:

- A. Wah Wah Soo Fence:** The members discussed the agreement letter that will be prepared for the landowners.
- B. Cabins Accounting:** Kyle Ryan reported that Rachel Frisch did not put the monies for cabin reservations paid in 2015 was moved into the 2016 budget. Kyle Ryan reported that he and Keri Swantek are in the process of organizing payments for cabin rentals made in 2015 for the 2016 season and payments made in the 2016 season for 2017. The members discussed adding a new line item to the budget showing the future year revenues.

New Business:

- A. New Cabins:** Kyle Ryan discussed the foundation around the current cabins. Kyle Ryan also discussed purchasing bigger cabins and putting them where the current cabins are located. Kyle Ryan discussed possible locations for the current cabins. The board members asked Kyle Ryan to get some costs for larger cabins.



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B. Adoption of Parks Plan: Kyle Ryan read the resolution to adopt the parks plan. The roll call vote was as follows: Tom Johnson – Yes, Bill Holewinski – Yes, Butch Fleming – Yes, Dave Baragrey – Yes, Doug Johnson – Yes, Judy Jarecki – Yes, Abe Cruz – Yes, Bonny Miller – Yes, Randy Stults – Yes. Scott Courterier was absent.

Commissioner Comments:

- Bonny Miller was excited about the new cabins.
- Butch Fleming was happy with the discussion at the meeting.
- Abe Cruz was happy that the board was allowing Kyle Ryan to do the work at the department.
- Tom Johnson wanted to work together with property owners.

The next meeting is Monday December 12th 2016 at 6:00pm at the County Building Room 100.

A motion to adjourn was made by Bonny Miller and seconded by Judy Jarecki. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

Attachments as part of this meeting:

- Resolution to recommend adoption of the Parks Plan.
- Bills from October 1st – October 31st in the amount of \$5,803.36.

Keri Swantek
Recording Secretary