



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

**MINUTES**  
**OTSEGO COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2017**

Call to order at 6:00pm.

**Members Present:** Dave Baragrey, Scott Courterier, Randy Stults, Bill Holewinski, Judy Jarecki, Doug Johnson, Abe Cruz, Bonny Miller, Justin Wing and Kelli Parker.

**Others Present:** Kyle Ryan and Keri Swantek.

**Previous Minutes:** A motion to approve the minutes from July 10<sup>th</sup> 2017 was made by Abe Cruz and seconded by Bonny Miller. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Bills:** A motion to approve the bills from July 1<sup>st</sup> – August 7<sup>th</sup> 2017 in the amount of \$25,363.00 was made Bill Holewinski and seconded by Randy Stults. Motion carried.

**Financial Reports:** Kyle Ryan discussed the financial reports with the board members. A motion to accept the financial reports as presented was made by Doug Johnson and seconded by Bill Holewinski. Motion carried.

**Director's Update:**

- Kyle Ryan stated the campground has been full every weekend.
- Kyle Ryan reported that Lynne Smith quit her position at the Groen Preserve.
- Kyle Ryan stated that Melissa Conn quit her position at the Community Center.
- Kyle Ryan reported that the Groen Trust Fund Board will have a meeting in September.
- Kyle Ryan stated that at Libke Fields the old fence has been removed and they have starting working on the softball field.

**Old Business:**

- A. **June 30<sup>th</sup> 2017, issue:** Kyle Ryan updated the members on the request for camping fee refund that was discussed at the last meeting. Kyle Ryan read an email to the members that he received from Kristy Forrest. A motion was made by Abe Cruz and seconded by Bonny Miller that the request for refund of lot camping fees be turned down, after campers from the lots, were asked to leave the Otsego County Park the morning of July 1, 2017 after disregarding the Quiet Hours of the Park and being asked to comply with the Quiet Hours of the Park by park staff numerous times, resulting in the police being called around 2:30am and needing to deal with the offending campers a total of three separate times. Motion carried.



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- B. Update on Repair and Replacement schedule:** Kyle Ryan stated the sub-committee met recently and Randy Stults was elected as the chairperson and Kyle Ryan was elected as the secretary. Kyle Ryan presented the board with the minutes of the meeting including a list of items that were discussed. Abe Cruz asked if the members could review the list and bring their ideas or suggestions to the next meeting. Judy Jarecki talked about removing the invasive species cow parsnips at Irontone Springs. Randy Stults suggested updating the electrical system at the County Park. Dave Baragrey asked the members to email their suggestions to Kyle Ryan. Randy Stults asked members to visit the Pontresina Park and include ideas about that location.

**New Business:**

- A. Outdoor fitness court grant opportunity:** Kyle Ryan presented an opportunity to get \$10,000.00 towards a \$90,000.00 outdoor fitness area. Kyle Ryan said he didn't want to pursue this grant. He discussed possibly designing a fitness area in the future possibly along the bike trail.
- B. Vehicle purchase budget amendment:** Kyle Ryan asked the members for a budget amendment. A motion was made by Randy Stults and seconded by Bill Holewinski to request the Board of Commissioners to do a budget amendment to put \$35,000.00 in the appropriate account to pursue the purchase of a new pick-up truck and take the money out of fund equity. Motion carried.

**Commissioner Comments:** Bonny Miller said she thinks the sub-committee is going to work out good.

The next meeting is Monday September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 6:00pm at the Otsego Lake County Park. A motion was made by Randy Stults and seconded by Scott Courterier to change the location of the meeting to the Pontresina Park. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm.

**Attachments as part of this meeting:**

- Financial reports.
- Bills from July 1<sup>st</sup> – August 7<sup>th</sup> 2017 in the amount of \$25,363.00.
- Repair and Replacement Schedule/Capital Improvements Plan Committee minutes from meeting of August 10, 2017

Keri Swantek  
Recording Secretary

Randy Stults  
Secretary