



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

**MINUTES REGULAR MEETING
OTSEGO COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MAY 8TH 2017**

Called to order at 6:00pm.

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

Members Absent: Judy Jarecki.

Others Present: Kyle Ryan.

Approval of Previous Minutes: A motion to accept the minutes from the April 10th 2017 meeting was made Justin Wing and seconded by Scott Courterier. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Bills: A motion to approve the bills from April 4th – April 30th in the amount of \$16,319.33 was made by Doug Johnson and seconded by Bonny Miller. Motion carried.

Director's Update:

- Kyle Ryan said that all four cabins are in place and the electrical is being hooked up today. Kyle Ryan also said the flooring has been installed in one of the cabins and the furniture is being delivered on Monday May 15th.
- Kyle Ryan stated that some trees have been planted and some trash cans and benches have been placed at the Pontresina Park.
- Kyle Ryan reported that the campground was full for the clean-up weekend.
- Kyle Ryan reported that the last time the campground fees were raised was at the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting held October 2014.
- Kyle Ryan presented a special event permit for the Smile through the Miles 5k/10k run held on July 4th 2017 at the Louis M. Groen Nature Preserve. A motion was made by Abe Cruz and seconded by Scott Courterier to approve the race. Motion carried.
- Kyle Ryan presented the three year contract from Wolverine Fireworks Display Inc. Randy Stults made a motion to recommend moving forward with the contract with Wolverine Fireworks Display Inc. for fireworks to be shot from the County Park as provided for in the contract with two recommendations: the agreement name for Otsego County be a proper entity in the



Louis M. Groen Nature Preserve – Otsego Lake County Park – Irontone Springs – Wah Wah Soo – Libke Fields – Community Center contract and that the funding agreement for the term of the contract be committed to by the Otsego Lake Association. This motion was seconded by Scott Courterier. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- A. Libke Fields Options:** Kyle Ryan stated he spoke to the administrator of the grant and field work is permitted in the grant. The members discussed various improvements.

New Business:

- A. Repair and replacement schedule/Capital improvements plan:** Abe Cruz was in favor of a sub-committee and asked Dave Baragrey to select a four people to serve on the committee. Randy Stults, Abe Cruz, Bonny Miller and Justin Wing offered to work on this committee with Dave Baragrey.
Kyle Ryan discussed some of the items on the repair and replacement schedule.

Commissioner Comments:

- Scott Courterier said that it has not been verified with officers being elected. Dave Baragrey recommended reviewing the minutes from January 2017 and adding the election of officers to the minutes if they are not in the current minutes.
- Bill Holewinski said the Wah Wah Soo is the property of Otsego Lake Township and not the property of the Otsego County Road Commission. Randy Stults said the Wah Wah Soo Park is in Bagley Township.
- Bonny Miller said Kyle has done great work on the grants and not to give up on the Groen Preserve.

Next meeting is Monday June 12th at 6:00pm at the Otsego Lake County Park.

A motion to adjourn was made by Scott Courterier and seconded by Bonny Miller.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22pm.

Attachments made as part of this meeting:

- Smiles through the Miles 5k/10k Run at the nature preserve.
- Wolverine Fireworks Display Inc. three year contract.
- Bills from April 4th – April 30th in the amount of \$16,319.33.

Keri Swantek, Recording Secretary
Randy Stults, Secretary