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MINUTES

WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting
September 28, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.

Vice Chair Carlock called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll was called: Ms. Kowalski, Ms. Robinson Ms. Voorheis and Mr. Anderson were absent.

ROLL CALL: Steve Anderson - **Absent**
Greg Baroni, Board Liaison
Merrie Carlock, Vice Chairperson
Debby Dehart
Deb Deren, Secretary
Shirley Kowalski - **Absent**
Caryn Robinson, Chairperson - **Absent**
Jean Shiloff
Bill Sweeney (Consultant) - **Absent**
Andrea Voorheis - **Absent**

Also Present: Jason Iacoangeli, Staff Planner
Lynn Lindon, Recording Secretary

Visitors: 0

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Ms. Carlock added approval of the July minutes to the agenda.

Ms. Shiloff moved to approve the agenda as amended. Ms. Dehart supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote. (5 yes votes)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- a. Minutes of August 24, 2010 meeting
- b. Minutes of July 27, 2010 meeting

Ms. Carlock moved to approve the minutes of August 24, 2010. Ms. Shiloff supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote. (5 yes votes)

Ms. Carlock moved to approve the minutes of July 27, 2010. Ms. Dehart supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote. (5 yes votes)

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Ms. Carlock opened the discussion to the public for comments on items not listed on the agenda, but none was offered.

Financial Review for August

The August financial report was not discussed this evening.

New Business:

a. Hawley-Ween Fun Run

Ms. Deren reviewed the timeline and logistics for the event. Details are being finalized and the subcommittee will meet one more time before the event.

Ms. Dehart will put the announcement in the Oakland Press and Spinal Column within the next week and Ms. Shiloff will contact the Milford Times. Mr. Iacoangeli will talk to Chief Harris as to whether an officer could be present on the route.

b. Vetter Park Ball Field Redevelopment

Mr. Iacoangeli reported that a subcommittee met to discuss improvements to the park, some ideas for a half-court basketball facility, and possibly eliminating the smaller field and having one large field. He was asked to share this information with the Parks and Rec committee for discussion and feedback.

This appears to be an entire redevelopment of the park. The pavilion is in bad shape. There is a hole in the roof and the wood is starting to rot. There was discussion on who was responsible for maintaining the pavilion. This may fall under the Senior Center's budget.

Mr. Iacoangeli felt if the ball field were going to be redone, it would be beneficial to have a design professional's opinion. The park should be looked at as a whole, and the board is looking to move forward soon.

Ms. Carlock would like to see this go out for bid as a single project. She recommended contacting Johnson & Anderson or a landscape architect, or civil engineer to start with a grading plan and go from there.

Ms. Carlock moved to recommend to the Township Board to move ahead with Johnson & Anderson to with specifications and a grading plan as outlined in the board minutes, and to revisit the Master Plan for the park, and also verify who is responsible for the pavilion at the park. Ms. Shiloff supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote. (5 yes votes)

Other Business:

a. Staff Report

Mr. Iacoangeli reported there was another rainout and the Movie in the Park was cancelled. It was decided not to reschedule for this year and the deposit will be refunded. The sponsorships netted \$1,000, which paid for the movie. He sent letters to all the sponsors, signed by Supervisor Kowall, on behalf of the Parks & Rec committee.

He indicated he has not seen anything from DNRE regarding the grant agreement for Bloomer Park and he will follow up again.

He reported the state program for license plates would go into effect where \$10 for plate renewal will go to the state park system.

Communications:

a. Commissioner Comments

Ms. Carlock asked if anything was happening with the request to the Road Commission for the enhancement grant for the gateway at Pontiac Lake. Mr. Iacoangeli reported the whole causeway project has turned into one of the first in the state MDOT alert map for an actual region (Waterford/White Lake/Highland), which highlights problems along M-59 that communities want seen addressed by MDOT. MDOT will consider design elements when they get to the project and will do their best to incorporate community suggestions if possible.

Mr. Iacoangeli indicated the survey was completed last week with regard to the Farmer's Market and he will send it out this evening

Ms. Carlock welcomed Mr. Baroni to the committee.

Mr. Baroni highlighted items/projects he would like to see completed in the township. He is mainly concerned with pathways. There was a lengthy discussion on the different projects the committee has been working on, i.e., signs, sewers, park enhancements and pathways. It was decided to look into the possibility of putting a pathway in next to Nacho Mama's, where the hydrants were installed. The property is nicely graded and this could be a feasible project. Mr. Iacoangeli will look into this further.

b. Next Meeting Date October 26, 2010

Adjournment

Ms. Shiloff moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Ms. Deren supported and the motion carried with a voice vote. (5 yes votes)