

Work Session Minutes

May 20, 2019 10:00

Present: Commissioners Huch, Murray, Sawyer and Svensson. Commissioner Knopf joined on walk through

Also Present: One Interested Party

Call to Order: Chairperson Svensson called the meeting to order at 10:00 am

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome Guests

Agenda: Motion by Sue Sawyer, second from Bob Murray to accept the May 20, 2019 agenda as written. Adopted.

Unfinished Business:

1. Communication Letter: Discussed content of letter and methods for circulation. Commissioners Sawyer and Svensson presented options.
2. Forest Stewardship Plan: Discussed content and potential implementation of portions of the plan. Commissioner Svensson expressed concern regarding errors in the presentation of the survey.
3. Sports 'n Shorts Flyers: Commissioners Knopf, Sawyer and Svensson will post in the Township

New Business:

1. Assessment Walk Through
 - a. Nestrom Park
 - i. Bleachers: safety improvements to be completed any day now
 - ii. Tennis Courts: both have significant cracks, south one a bit worse so improvements will be made on this one. Fencing needs to be repaired, safety issue with base of the posts protruding. Nets needs some repair and plan to have taken down each winter going forward.
 - iii. Pickle Ball lines: present on the north court will need to be repainted on the south court after resurfacing.
 - iv. Ball Field: recommend keeping the bases the same, discussion of maintenance going forward in conjunction with the ball team volunteers.
 - v. Shuffleboard: needs to be power washed
 - vi. Horseshoe: suggested to be removed rather than be repaired. Final decision to be made at June meeting
 - vii. Soccer field: Satisfactory, new nets look good.

- viii. Playground Equipment: Recommended repairs include spindles over open area, remove the double swing and tire swing. Some disagreement re: removing the single swing on monkey bars. Decisions to be made at June meeting.
- ix. Stairways: Recommended to add another platform to the north set. Some isolated boards will need to be replaced as well.
- x. Beach Area: Discussion around enlarging the area, remove dead trees and limbs that pose risk of falling and changing the type of picnic tables.
- xi. Disc Golf Course: Safety issues noted include hole #1 flight path is across stairway, #8 within 50 feet of the playground, # 6, #7, #8 throwing up the hill and depending on where it lands requires walking on the hill with a high probability of crossing stairways, #10 flight path is blind and down the hill, several holes are significantly close to the beach area with blind paths as to people using the beach.
- xii. Pavilions: Power washing required, move picnic tables in a way to allow handicap access, run water to 2nd pavilion, replace 2 grills this year due to rust and remove broken wood sign. Need fill around some raised areas.
- xiii. Signage: decisions need to be made re: rules and regs for the park and pavilions then improvements. Information is out of date.
- xiv. Out buildings: Light needs to be replaced on building connected to Pavilion #1.
- xv. Dog area and waste bags: Discussed possibility of designated area for dogs and placement of waste bags on existing posts by pavilions, stairways and tennis courts. Place signs stating no dog walking on ball and soccer fields.

b. Marcus Park:

- i. Playground equipment: acceptable with suggestion of more fill at end of slide
- ii. Picnic tables: one bench needs to be replaced
- iii. Grill: looks good
- iv. Bike rack: looks good
- v. Beach: water is high, but area is clear. On the south side significant amounts of overgrowth including bittersweet. Unsure of boundary of park, plot from township states .57 acre, nature survey states over one acre.
- vi. Parking: soft dirt/sand. Allows for approximately 4 cars, discussion as to shoring up the ground to prevent getting stuck as well as issue safety parking on the curve.
- vii. Trees: one dead tree poses risk and should be removed.

Agenda items for June meeting to include:

- Results of assessments
- Goals and Objectives
- June work session re: master plan
- Camera presentation

Commissioners Comments: (Please add each comments as made by individual commissioners)

Adjournment: Motion by Her Huch, second from Lynn Knopf, Adopted to adjourn the May 20, 2019 working meeting of the Fruitland Township Parks and Recreation Commission at 12:30 pm.

5 Ayes, 0 Nays

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Svensson