

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION
SCHEDULED MEETING
March 2, 2020**

PRESENT: Commissioner Knopf, Commissioner Bob Murray and Commissioner Sue Sawyer.

ABSENT: Commissioner Svensson (phoned in) and Commissioner Herb Huch.

ALSO PRESENT: Three interested parties.

CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chair Murray called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

WELCOME GUESTS

AGENDA: Motion by Lynn Knopf, second from Sue Sawyer, **ADOPTED**, to amend the agenda to include park dedication and ordinance review to unfinished business and to include Brad King, Township e-mail, April meeting and minute taking to new business on the March 2, 2020 agenda.

3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT

MINUTES: Motion by Lynn Knopf, second from Sue Sawyer, to wait to approve the February 4, 2020 regular meeting minutes until further discussions can be had amongst the whole commission.

3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

RECEIPTS:

None.

DISBURSEMENTS:

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Fencing

This will be completed soon.

2. Disc golf equipment

The Commission hasn't heard anything yet. They will be contacting others to get bids and if nobody is interested, it will be put out for others.

3. Budget

The Commission discussed the Township Board's approvals for their 2020-21 budget and projects they'd like to complete before the end of the month.

Motion by Sue Sawyer, second from Lynn Knopf, **ADOPTED**, to take tree trimming out of the tennis court repair rather than out of miscellaneous.

3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT

Motion by Sue Sawyer, second from Lynn Knopf, **ADOPTED**, to complete the tree assessment and fees out of miscellaneous.

3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT

4. Park dedication

Motion by Sue Sawyer, second from Lynn Knopf, **ADOPTED**, to put off discussions of park dedication and ordinance until there is a full Commission.

3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT

5. Ordinance

See above motion.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Outdoor activity center grant

Discussions took place regarding a grant from the Community Foundation of Muskegon County. The commissioners discussed possibly completing a survey of the Township to see which playground equipment they would like to see in the park.

2. March work session

The Commission discussed a March work session and whether they should have it at the Township Hall or possibly moving it to the library.

Motion by Lynn Knopf, second from Sue Sawyer, **ADOPTED**, to schedule a work session for March 17, 2020 at 10:00a.m. at the Township Hall.

3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT

3. Brad King

Motion by Bob Murray, second from Sue Sawyer, **ADOPTED**, to suspend Roberts Rules of Order to have a presentation by Brad King.

3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT

Brad King presented an event for amateur radio that he would like to have take place at Nestrom Road Park on June 27-28, 2020. The commissioners asked questions regarding the event and approved his event, adding that he would have to reserve a pavilion on April 1st.

Motion by Bob Murray, second from Lynn Knopf, **ADOPTED**, to adopt Roberts Rules of Order to go back into meeting discussions.

3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT

4. Email issue

An issue of not being able to open emails was reported with the Commission email and Commissioner Knopf will be discussing this with Supervisor Marcia Jeske.

5. April meeting

Discussions took place about moving the meeting time to accommodate a Commissioner who will not be in attendance. It was decided that moving the meeting time was not a good idea.

6. Minute taking

Information was given out prior to the meeting regarding minute taking. The commissioners will be discussing the information at the upcoming meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Carlet Mitenbuler, 4623 Nestrom Road – thanked Commission for addressing the safety assessment of the woods. Township Board chatters about safety but states that tree trimming isn't needed and is offensive to a Parks and Recreation Commission that knows the parks' needs. Stated that the safety assessment was budgeted for and approved. Commission doing a great job following the assessment that was completed.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS:

Commissioner Knopf stated that she would look into getting information together for a web vote of the playground equipment.

Commissioner Murray stated that the Commission should look very closely at all of the playground samples he's emailed and be ready to discuss them at the work session. He added that once a vendor is selected, he will contact them about a community build.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Lynn Knopf, second from Sue Sawyer, **ADOPTED** to adjourn the March 2, 2020 scheduled meeting of the Fruitland Township Parks and Recreation Commission at 6:45 PM.

3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Mansfield, Recording Secretary