

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION
SCHEDULED MEETING
July 6, 2020**

PRESENT: Commissioner Huch, Commissioner Knopf, Commissioner Bob Murray,
Commissioner Sue Sawyer and Commissioner Svensson

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Three interested parties.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Svensson called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

WELCOME GUESTS

AGENDA: Motion by Bob Murray, second from Herb Huch, **ADOPTED**, to accept the July 6, 2020 agenda as written.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

MINUTES: Motion by Sue Sawyer, second from Bob Murray, **ADOPTED**, to approve the February 4, 2020 regular meeting minutes, March 2, 2020 regular meeting minutes, May 6, 2020 meeting minutes, June 1, 2020 regular meeting minutes, and June 16, 2020 work session minutes with updates/changes.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

PUBLIC COMMENT:
None.

RECEIPTS:

Chairperson Svensson reported receipts activity as pavilion rentals in the amount of \$300.00 for the month June 2020.

Motion by Sue Sawyer, second from Bob Murray, **ADOPTED**, to accept receipts for \$300.00 from pavilion rentals for the month of June 2020.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

DISBURSEMENTS:

Chairperson Svensson reported disbursements activity as \$380.00 to Kerkstra two portable restrooms (two payments of \$190.00), \$151.41 to TruGreen for baseball field fertilization, \$114.00 to Randy Smith for summarization, and \$212.90 to PNC/Midwest Sports for the tennis net for total disbursements of \$858.31.

Motion by Bob Murray, second from Sue Sawyer, **ADOPTED**, to pay total disbursements of \$858.31.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

Roll Call Vote: Knopf-Aye, Huch-Aye, Svensson-Aye, Murray-Aye, Sawyer-Aye

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Master Plan

The commissioners discussed quite a bit of the Master Plan. They agreed there are areas that need to go to the Township Board for review as the Parks and Recreation Commission doesn't have accountability for. The commissioners will email Chairperson Svensson regarding any other changes for the Master Plan.

Motion by Dev Svensson, second by Herb Huch, **ADOPTED**, that with the edits completed to date, Chairperson Svensson will make the changes in the document, she will send them all out for one last look through from everyone, and then it be submitted to the Supervisor to bring to the Board of Trustees for their input, along with the Commission's willingness to work with the Board of Trustees for the sections the Commission does not have accountability for.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

2. Project update

Commissioner Sawyer stated that they are waiting for a good day to rent the sod lifter to get the ballfield work completed. Commissioner Murray questioned whether the water had been turned on yet as the field isn't looking as if it's been watered. He also made mention to the commissioners that the trash cans by the lake are full very often because the beach has been used daily, adding that it took more than one phone call for the cans to get emptied. He also made mention of the soccer nets still having not been moved back to the correct position on the fields. All of these things, as well as the moss on the pavilion roofs, will be talked about with Supervisor Jeske.

The commissioners discussed the different kinds of tables that can be purchased. They agreed to purchase the best possible option that they can purchase with their budget, but Commissioner Huch stated that he would like to purchase the stainless tables so they last forever.

Motion by Lynn Knopf, second from Deb Svensson, **ADOPTED**, to purchase two stationary 48x48 square tables with galvanized frame and single posts from Pilot Rock for a total cost of \$1,342.00 plus shipping.

4 AYES, 1 NAY (Huch)

Commissioner Murray stated that the tennis courts were completed at no cost. He also added that he took care of replacing the tennis net. Commissioner Murray stated that he has almost everything he needs to complete the cistern, adding that he just needs gravel, which Commissioner Huch will be getting for him and the project will be completed.

Commissioner Murray stated that the shuffleboard equipment that was approved for purchase at the June meeting doesn't qualify for free shipping or tax exemption.

Motion by Bob Murray, second from Lynn Knopf, **ADOPTED**, to purchase the Allen R. Shuffleboard Premium Shuffleboard Set from Amazon for \$149.95 plus taxes and shipping.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

Commissioner Murray mentioned that the horseshoe pit area project will be on hold until treated lumber is available for purchase.

Motion by Deb Svensson, second from Bob Murray, **ADOPTED**, to authorize the purchase of pet waste bags as needed.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

Chairperson Svensson mentioned that the park surveys have been completed, but that they will get to see them once the Township Board has the chance to see them.

Motion by Herb Huch, second from Bob Murray, **ADOPTED**, that the Commission moves forward with the removal of the cement pads from the disc golf course. The donation will go directly to the company taking out the cement pads.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

The commission discussed getting quotes regarding a stump grinder for an eight-hour period of time to remove stumps down in the lower portion of Nestrom Road Park.

The commission also discussed the purchase of grills. Chairperson Svensson stated that she would like to get the grills purchased. She mentioned that summer is half over, and the purchase should be made to get the grills in for the remainder of summer.

Motion by Sue Sawyer, second from Lynn Knopf, **ADOPTED**, to purchase one large stainless-steel grill for \$750.00 or less, installed, including everything.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

Commissioner Knopf will bring information for the sign at Marcus Park to the August meeting.

3. Park dedication

The commission had a lengthy discussion regarding whether or not the properties have ever been dedicated to the Parks and Recreation Commission. It was mentioned that many meetings included discussions about the park dedications. The commissioners agreed that they would like to come together with the Township Board to discuss the intent of Duck Lake Road Park and what they would like to see happen. It was mentioned that Duck Lake Road Park is not the size originally thought, but it was also mentioned that the Township Board approved the Parks and Recreation Commission Master Plan that stated that Duck Lake Road Park is 18.62 acres. The Commission agreed to have Chairperson Svensson reach out Supervisor Jeske formally requesting a special meeting with the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Township Board to discuss Duck Lake Road Park and the natural area.

Motion by Lynn Knopf, second from, **ADOPTED**, to request a digital copy of the letter from Smith, Haughey, Rice and Roegge on January 29, 2020 from Kevin Even.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

4. Playground equipment

The commissioners had a lengthy discussion regarding playground equipment. The discussion included whether or not the Commission should have a community build or have the playground professionally built by the company chosen.

Motion by Deb Svensson, second from Herb Huch, **ADOPTED**, to approve a purchase of playground equipment from Penchura with professional installation under budget.

3 AYES, 2 NAYS (Knopf and Huch)

Motion by Sue Sawyer, second from Deb Svensson, **ADOPTED**, to approve Penchura option three for \$50,791.00 with professional installation

4 AYES, 1 NAY (Knopf)

5. Park ordinances

Motion by Sue Sawyer, second by Herb Huch, **ADOPTED**, to bring the ordinances to the Township Board of Trustees for approval.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

6. Basketball poles and nets

Chairperson Svensson suggested selling the basketball poles and nets since they are just sitting around not being used. Commission Murray agreed with the idea, stating that they would need a large cement pad in order to install them.

Motion by Deb Svensson, second from Herb Huch, **ADOPTED**, to sell the basketball poles and nets.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

7. Shuffleboard equipment

Discussed with project updates.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 1st quarter 2020-21 budget amendment (disc golf equipment sale) 160-000-540.000 Donation \$5,000.00

Motion by Herb Huch, second from Sue Sawyer, **ADOPTED**, to accept and approve the payment of \$5,000.00 for the disc golf equipment to be placed in account 160-000-540.000.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

The commissioners discussed having money transferred from other projects to the playground budget.

Motion by Deb Svensson, second from Herb Huch, **ADOPTED**, to request the transfer of \$250.00 from the cistern project, \$5,000.00 from the sale of the disc golf equipment, \$3,000.00 from Sports 'N Shorts, \$50.00 from interest on deposits, \$5,838 from the specialty fund, and \$900.00 from Township Park Pavilion Rental revenues.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS:

Commissioner Sawyer stated that the Commission just needs to keep doing their best.

Chairperson Svensson stated that the agenda was very aggressive, adding that the Commission is doing a fine job.

Commissioner Huch stated that the Commission is making good progress but that they still have a ways to go.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Herb Huch, second from Bob Murray, **ADOPTED** to adjourn the July 6, 2020 scheduled meeting of the Fruitland Township Parks and Recreation Commission at 8:01 PM.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Mansfield, Recording Secretary