

CITY OF SWARTZ CREEK
Park and Recreation Advisory Board
Wednesday, March 6, 2019
Paul D. Bueche Municipal Building – 5:30 P.M.
Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER:
2. ROLL CALL: James Barclay, Connie Eskew, Jentery Farmer, Samantha Fountain, Rae Lynn Hicks, Rick Henry, Joe Perreault, Trudy Plumb, Larry Cummings.
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES :
5. MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC:
6. COMMUNICATIONS TO BOARD:
 - A. February 6, 2019 Minutes
 - B. Staff Letter
 - C.
7. REPORTS:
 - A. DPW Director (ice rink information, trail update, swing installation)
 - B. City Manager (storage agreements)
8. BUSINESS:
 - A. Playscape Stain
 - B. Abrams Park Tennis Courts
 - C. Green Team (GFWC) Projects
 - D. Hometown Days Float
 - E. Slip and Slide Proceeds
 - F. Artificial Flowers in Planters
 - G.
9. MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC:
10. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:
11. ADJOURNMENT:

CITY OF SWARTZ CREEK
SWARTZ CREEK, MICHIGAN
PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
February 6, 2019

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairperson Hicks at the Paul D. Bueche Municipal Building.

Members Present: James Barclay, Larry Cummings, Connie Eskew, Rick Henry, Rae Lynn Hicks, Joe Perrault, Trudy Plumb.

Members Absent: Jentery Farmer & Samantha Fountain.

Staff Present: Adam Zettel & Tom Svrcek.

Others Present: Lania Rocha & Bob Plumb.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Henry, to approve agenda of February 6, 2019 as included in the packet, supported by Plumb. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Hicks, to approve minutes of January 2, 2019, supported by Barclay. Motion carried.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: No comment.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD:

- A. January 2, 2019 Minutes
- B. Staff Letter
- C. Traffic Garden Concept

REPORTS:

- A. DPW REPORT: There is no work in the parks at the moment. There was a good skating pond during the cold snap, but it was short lived. He priced synthetic ice at \$18,000 for a 20x30 surface. It is a rigid, interlocking system.

BUSINESS:

- A. Slip and Slide Proceeds: There was discussion about the Jeeper Creekers event in October as well as other causes that seek funding, like the dog park and potential for a skating feature. There was an inclination to support Jeepers Creekers, but the exact use of funds was desired.

Motion by Henry, to table the allocation of proceeds discussion until Jeepers Creekers fund use could be determined, supported by Barclay. Motion carried.

- B. Storage Agreements: Youth football and lacrosse are agreeable to the instruments, but they will need time to consider build-out options this spring before proceeding.
- C. Dog Park: The scouts have raised \$6,000 of \$8,000 to install the dog park.
- D. Elms Trail: Tom will provide more information in March.
- E. Park Waivers: There was some discussion about the guidelines and applicability of park fee waivers. No changes were recommended to the park rules.

- F. Playscape maintenance: Tom will have a better picture of the needs in the summer. There are some groups that may be able to conduct portions of ongoing painting each year to split up the work in more manageable scales.
- G. Abrams Park Tennis Courts: a traffic garden was considered. However, the park board found that there may be too many nuisance trees nearby to support most reuse options. The DPW will look to begin creating a larger buffer around the courts by systematically removing and replacing the cottonwood trees.
- H. Greenteam: The GFWC is looking for small park projects to undertake.
- I. HTD Float: Joe, Rick, and Rae Lynn will work on they float. They will proceed after they learn of the HTD theme for 2019.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: No comment.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Mr. Perreault gave kudos to the DPW for winter street clearing. He also noted that a street light is still out by Financial Plus. Mr. Barclay indicated that someone is regularly dumping grass in the creek and Sandi Brill might know who.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: March 6, 2019, 5:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Connie Eskew, Secretary



Adam Zettel, AICP

City Manager

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Date: February 26, 2019

To: Park Commissioners
From: Adam Zettel, AICP
RE: March 6, 2019 Park Board Meeting

Hello everyone,

We will be meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 6, 2019, at the city offices. We have quite a bit to consider again. Chairman Hicks is still looking for input on the use of proceeds from the slip and slide. I believe the Jeepers Creekers event is on the radar, but the board wished to know exactly how the funds would be used. There was also discussion about the trail way and other park projects.

Abrams tennis court reuse keeps appearing on the agenda. It will continue to do so until we find a solution. At the last meeting, forestry was an issue that we feel needs to be addressed before proceeding. Ideas were synthetic skating rinks or a bike corral surface.

Some details and input is also sought as it relates to selecting Green Team projects, managing the playscape staining process, finalizing the parade float, and considering artificial flowers in the hanging baskets. Tom and I will have some updates on ongoing matters as well.

Spring will be upon us soon! Let's get some good momentum together on seeing some improvements to Abrams Park and the trails!

Contact me with questions or comments

Sincerely,

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