

CITY OF HANCOCK RECREATION COMMISSION

November 3, 2015 meeting minutes

A regular meeting of the City of Hancock Recreation Commission was called to order by Chairperson Pro Tem Bill Marlor at 6:06 PM at City Hall, 399 Quincy Street, Hancock, Michigan.

Present: Members John Diebel, John Haeussler, Bill Marlor, Mary Pekkala, John Slivon, and guest Steve Lasco (WUPPDR).

Absent: Chairperson Dennis Hagenbuch, Members Kevin Kalinec, Jason Parker, Ron Studer, Mary Tuisku, and Secretary Glenn Anderson.

Bill Marlor respectfully asked City Council member John Slivon if he wished to chair the meeting. John declined and acceded to Bill.

The agenda was unanimously approved (Haeussler, Pekkala).

The minutes of the September 8, 2015 regular meeting were unanimously approved (Pekkala, Diebel).

There was no public comment during the public comment session.

Steve Lasco distributed open-ended comments received from the recent Hancock recreation survey. Commission members discussed the draft of the 2016-2020 recreation plan with Steve and identified a target year for each proposed capital improvement project. Any suggested additions and/or deletions to the list of proposed capital improvement projects should be discussed with the city manager prior to the next Recreation Commission meeting.

Commission members reviewed a communication from Superior Sand & Gravel, Inc., regarding property they have for sale on Ingot Street just west of the DNR trail.

Commission members discussed potential locations for a bocce ball court within the city. Candidates include Driving Park and "Klondike Park" (at the corner of Poplar Street and Crestwood Drive).

John Diebel reported on behalf of the Keweenaw Nordic Ski Club:

- A 2009 Yamaha Rhino ATV was sold for \$9,900.
- A newly purchased Can-Am Defender ATV is scheduled to arrive in December, total cost with upgrades approx. \$25,000.
- The Maasto Hiihto middle bridge project is nearing completion, total cost approx. \$25,000.

Bill Marlor provided rehab updates on recreational facilities:

- Lurn-Grove Park tennis court: surface cracks were sealed; the court was repainted; the net posts were replaced; and, fencing around the court was upgraded.
- Driving Park hardball field: the first 12 feet of the outfield turf was removed and the surface was brought down to grade and re-sodded. The infield was graded; dirt was removed; and, new sod, dirt, topsoil, and Magic Mix topdressing (for the appropriate texture) was installed.
- Driving Park Little League field: the infield has been scraped; silt has been added; and, Magic Mix topdressing has been delivered.

A motion to table the discussion of naming the Driving Park softball field in honor of Gordy Schaaf was unanimously approved (Haeussler, Diebel).

Commission members reviewed the campground revenue summary. An active September led to a record high in annual revenue for 2015.

Bill Marlor and other Commission members thanked Steve Lasco for his work on the 2016-2020 recreation plan.

The Commission scheduled a special meeting for Tuesday, December 1, 2015, at 6:00 PM, at Hancock City Hall, for the purpose of finalizing the proposed 2016-2020 recreation plan.

A motion to adjourn at 7:54 PM was unanimously approved (Haeussler, Pekkala).

Secretary Pro Tem John Haeussler