

CITY OF HANCOCK  
RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING  
MINUTES OF JULY 11, 2017

The regular monthly Recreation Commission was called to order by Chairperson John Haeussler on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall with the following members present: Dan Seguin, John Haeussler, John Diebel, Crissy Gerhart, Bill Marlor and Glenn Anderson.

Absent: Keven Kalenic and Jason Parker

Guests: Jack Haeussler and Maggie Haeussler

It was moved by Diebel and seconded by Seguin to approve the agenda.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

It was moved by Seguin and seconded by Diebel to approve the May 9, 2017 minutes.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

A moment of silence was held in honor and memory of Mary Tuisku, a recreation commission member and longtime strong supporter of parks and recreational opportunities in the City.

Updates

- Heard the broken Driving Park Chalet window was replaced
- Heard the Driving Park baseball fields had strong use and were in good condition
- Heard the County Board trial balloon to offer to give or sell the County Arena to the City was on hold due to several complicating issues.
- Learned that over 100 volunteers participated in the AmeriCorps beach clean-up project held on May 20<sup>th</sup>
- Heard the Michigan legislative had finally approved the DNR MNRTF development grants, and the City was expecting the \$294,000 beach dock grant agreement soon.
- Noted the City ordered two batting cage nets to be set up on 6 x 6 posts at the Hardball Field for a cost of \$4,763 from Burbank Sport Nets
- Reviewed May and June usage at the campground.
- Heard that the City was awarded a \$3,000 grant from the Keweenaw Community Foundation for new poly dasher panels for Lurn Grove and thanked Deb Mann for submitting the application. The total project cost is estimated at \$6,512.50
- Heard the DPW constructed a small parking lot for Terrace Park located just off of Dunstan St.

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-Heard preparations are complete for the City hosting the American Legion Tournament July 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>.

-Heard the City received a \$2,000 donation to construct a bocce court at the Driving Park from Deb Mann.

-Heard the City & KNSC was planning to cost share the purchase of a new Yamaha Kodiak ATV for the ski trail at a cost of \$8,771 plus about \$3,500 for track pods

-Heard the KNSC constructed about a ½ mile of new ski trails on the River trail

-Discussed the future of the two gravel and sand operations located near the ski trails

The Commission reviewed construction cost estimates to undertake a small addition onto the campground bathroom/shower building to add ADA bathrooms. OHM Advisors provided 3 options, which run from \$66,000 to \$115,000, depending on the sq. footage selected location.

The Commission discussed playground equipment options with Maggie and Jack Haeussler and reviewed various sales catalogs for prices. The goal of the Commission is a budget of \$60,000 for the first year to purchase new playground structures at Terrace Park and Third Street Park, and more locations if funds are available within the budget.

The Commission was approached by Randy Heinonen, Hancock High School Softball Coach, to ask if the City would allow the lease of advertising signage at the Little League field as a fund raiser to the softball team, which is self-funded. They are thinking of charging \$1,000 for a 3-year sign lease.

It was moved by Gerhart and seconded by Seguin to recommend the approval of this fundraiser advertising for the HCH Softball team to the City Council.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

It was moved by Marlor and seconded by Gerhart to adjourn at 7:25 p.m.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Anderson  
Secretary