



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Monday, September 11, 2017

1. Call to Order - 7:00 P.M. - Petoskey City Hall Parkside Room
2. Approval of Minutes - Minutes of Monday, May 8, 2017 Meeting
3. New Business -
 - a. Master Plan update
 - b. Director Report
 - a. Recreation Participation
 - b. Projects
 - c. Upcoming
4. Miscellaneous
5. Adjournment



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

May 8, 2017

A meeting of the City of Petoskey Parks and Recreation Commission was held in the City Hall Community Room, Petoskey, Michigan, on Monday, May 8, 2017. Roll was called at 7:00 P.M. and the following were:

Present: Roy Pulaski, Chairman
Amy McMullen
William Hansen, Jr.
Mike Morey
Ken Turk
Sharon Walker
Paul Schemanski

Staff: Kendall Klingelsmith, Parks and Recreation Director

Others Present: 11 high school citizens, 3 other in attendance

Minutes Approved

Minutes of the Monday, April 10, 2017 meeting were read and approved with one correction. Motion for approval was made by Commissioner Turk, seconded by Commissioner Morey, with all members present voting aye.

YEAS: Hansen, McMullen, Morey, Pulaski, Schemanski, Turk, Walker (7)

NAYS: (0)

Discussion and Review of Master Plan

Director Klingelsmith explained that the current Master Plan expires at the end of the year, the City needs to draft an updated version for the next five years, this is standard practice for municipalities and submittal will help craft the vision and make the City eligible for grants. For the sake of the audience, an explanation was then given on the significance of a Master Plan.

Appointment of Two Board Members to the Master Plan Committee

The Master Plan Committee traditionally has had two representatives from the Parks and Recreation Commission but all committee members are encouraged to participate in public open houses. Commissioners McMullen and Pulaski volunteered to represent the parks board on the Master Plan Committee. Commissioner Turk indicated interest in the event that either representative could not attend meetings.

Pickleball Presentation

David Gallinat, USA Pickleball Association, gave a presentation on pickleball. The presentation included the participation increase, demographics, facilities and more. Mr. Gallinat informed the Commission that there is a deficiency of pickleball courts in Emmet County and the presentation

was to show support and the need for consideration of a facility. Currently North Central Michigan College is considering outdoor courts but other resources may need to be researched.

Other Business

Director Klingelsmith gave an update on the following items:

- TIFA projects:
 - Playground at Magnus will be completed by Memorial Day
 - Goose control project at Festival Area has been completed
 - Stair tower engineering and design has been approved
- Lowe's Heroes – Painting of the Mineral Well Pavilion is scheduled for June 10.
- Grant submittal to the Local Revenue Sharing Board for a youth scholarship program
- Municipal marina and Magnus Park are open for the 2017 season
- Recreation programs are underway and there was increase in registrations
- Bayfront Drive project will be completed this week

Chairman Pulaski indicated, in the past, meetings were suspended for June, July and August and recommended the Commission do the same this year with the caveat of meeting, if needed. Motion was made by Commissioner Turk, seconded by Commissioner Hansen, with all members present voting aye.

YEAS: Hansen, McMullen, Morey, Pulaski, Schemanski, Turk, Walker (7)

NAYS: (0)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Parks and Recreation Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M. Motion for adjournment was made by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Turk, with all members present voting aye.

YEAS: Hansen, McMullen, Morey, Pulaski, Schemanski, Turk, Walker (7)

NAYS: (0)

The next scheduled meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission will be held at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, September 11, 2017 at the City Hall Parkside Room.

Minutes reviewed and approved by Kendall Klingelsmith, Director of Parks and Recreation.



BOARD: Parks and Recreation Commission

MEETING DATE: September 11, 2017 **DATE PREPARED:** September 6, 2017

AGENDA SUBJECT: Report on Summer Activities

RECOMMENDATION: Informational

Very busy year for the Parks and Recreation Department. Park activity, campground, and marina activity throughout the summer appear to be trending positively in comparison to last year. Although the weather was challenging in the marina, there was still a demand for slips.

The Young Hemingway Statue dedication was a success with several hundred in attendance. Also, the area where the statue is placed is one of the highlights of the park with all new landscaping. Other summer highlights include:

- Marina electrical upgrades will be taking place this fall/winter. Engineering and bid specs will be completed soon;
- Little Traverse Wheelway trail replacement/repair is scheduled to be completed this fall;
- Youth Scholarship Application is completed and on-line. Consider a donation;
- Lowes Heroes project renovated the Mineral Well Pavilion; and
- Petoskey looked great for the 4th of July fireworks and Festival on the Bay.

Please review the supplemental information provided regarding the recreation program summary from summer and a snapshot of upcoming programs.

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Review of Summer Programs / Events

Diamond Programs

As usual – three different divisions of Girl's/Women's Softball:

Four Team Division of Minor (7-9) Girls

Five Team Division of Major (10-14) Girls

Five Team Division of ASA (15-up) Women

Six Team Division of Co-ed Tee Ball (5-6)

Four Team Division of ASA Men's Fast Pitch League. This season we also ran a co-op league with East Jordan in which all four teams played each other inter league with a home and home series. This was well received by players and league officials and we look/hope to build on this next season.

Eight Team Division of Co-ed Church League Slo-pitch at River Road Sports Complex.

The Department was responsible for all field maintenance for Petoskey High School Varsity, Junior Varsity and Freshman Softball Teams at Ed White and River Road fields and assisted in field maintenance for Petoskey High School Baseball Teams at Turcott and Petoskey Middle School ballfields.

The Department was also responsible for all divisions of Little League field maintenance (as contracted) at Bates Complex, Turcott Field and Petoskey Middle School.

Tournaments Hosted This Summer

Petoskey High School Baseball and Softball Invitational for both Varsity and Junior Varsity in May.

Four PYBA Youth Baseball Tournaments throughout the summer (June-Aug) with teams coming from all over the State.

Six ASA Adult Fast Pitch Tournaments (May – August).

1 – 50 team Petoskey Youth Softball Tournament (1st week in August).

Assisted in two PYSA Soccer Tournaments – Spring Bash in April and the Fall Fling in September with over 100 teams from all over the State.

This, in addition to a Sand Dig Volleyball Tournament in June, Festival on the Bay in mid-August and numerous other events (tennis tournaments, walks, runs & triathlons) each weekend.

The department had another successful **Tennis** season, consisting of four – two-week sessions running throughout the entire summer. The program focuses on youth/introductory levels of tennis (ages 3-14) with some evening adult classes available. Classes were instructed (again) by USPTA instructor Brian Forster and staff.

The department saw a rise in revenue and attendance in this season's **Kids Camp** program eclipsing the numbers from previous five years. We were able to add a few organized field trips (Northern Lights Recreation, Pirates Cove Golf, Harbor Springs Beach and Oden Fish Hatchery). These field trips were well received by participants, parents and instructors alike and were offered at a minimal/affordable cost. Questionnaires have gone out to all parents and more feedback in regards to program will be available and analyzed soon.

Staff took registrations and recruited 16 participants for **Sailing Program** that is run by the Crooked Lake Sailors Program.

Fall / Winter Programs (Registering now or about to start)

Bowling – New program offering instruction from Petoskey High School coaching staff and running for four Saturdays in September. We had 10 participants last year and are hoping to reach (or pass) that number this fall.

Flag Football – Currently securing last volunteer coaches and officials. Starting practices next week with games running from late September through early November. This continues to be a steady, popular program and we are assuming we will have eight teams of 10 players again this season. Program follows a unique set of rules (combination of Air Force and NFL flag) that have been modified to fit our program.

Fall Soccer – Target start date of September 18th. Players are divided into four different divisions (as usual) and play in a unique format focusing on age appropriate drills, skills and games. Players are divided by Grades: 1-2 Boys, 1-2 Girls, 3-5 Boys and 3-5 Girls. Typically, there are six to eight teams of 10-12 players per team/per division.

Youth Basketball – Boys and Girls Divisions (Grades 3-4 and Grades 5-6). Registration just opening now and details/schedules are TBD.

Upcoming Winter Programs

Men's League Adult Basketball
Ski/Snowboard Lessons at Nubs Nub
Learn to Skate Program at the Winter Sports Park
Indoor Lacrosse (new/introductory program)
Girl's Youth Volleyball
Women's Adult Volleyball
Wrestling

Staff will start working on Winter Carnival events, securing sponsors, prizes, etc. soon for the February event.