

**Bois Blanc Island
Parks & Recreation Committee**

Meeting Minutes

June 23, 2018

Present: Chris Suchner, Tom Bach, Diane Akright

Next Meeting: July 14, 2018 @ 8AM. Township Hall

- Diane noted that the funding from the Community Foundation for the pocket parks has not been received. Suggested we secure previous grant commitments before continuing pursuit of future grants.
- Township board must be given P&R plans for the establishment of picnic/camping locations on North Shore and Thompson Lake. Land Use Permits already in hand should be approved with the board before we can proceed with our development plans. Submission to the board should include: Current and future funding for plans; Liabilities; Insurances.
- We explored the possibilities of additional Nature Talks speakers for Monday Nights in July and August. Suggestions:
 1. Contact DNR to have representative talk about the 2012 Duncan Lake Study results.
 2. Contact Ellen Wetherby (UofM) topic mushrooms – Tom will contact.
 3. Contact Emmet County representative for Plant Invasive Species local to the island. Tom will contact.
 4. Contact MSU Biologist for talks on snakes local to the island. Chris will contact.
 5. Contact Coast Guard for talks on currents and water levels that are affecting the island.
 6. Find a speaker to talk about our skies and the constellations during various periods of the year. Diane will investigate.
- Resolved our 3rd Goal of Natural Areas
“We are committed to the conservation, protection, management, use and enjoyment of the island’s natural and cultural resources for current and future generations. We strive to protect natural and cultural resources, ensure sustainable recreation use and enjoyment, enable strong natural resource-based economies, improve and build strong relationships and partnerships, and foster effective business practices and good governance.”

- Reviewed and discussed various means of mass producing the 6-panel informational brochure. Due to lack of sufficient funds it was determined to reproduce the brochure using the township office copier which is can only print in black and white.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15AM.

Submitted,

Tom Bach - BBI P&R Secretary

Attachments:

6-Page Informational Brochure

Updated Goals and Objectives

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