

Parks and Recreation Committee

February 10, 2023

Bois Blanc Township Hall

Present: Committee members – Dane Akright, Jay Beugly, and Ginger Canup

Ginger Canup called the meeting was called to order at 11:10am.

Minutes

Jay Beugly sent out the minutes and they were approved with minor revision on Nichols Point goals to include bathrooms and trails.

Old Business

Budget and Goals – Diane

Diane was not at the last meeting so she filled us on information that we may have been unaware of during our previous meeting

Thompson Lake

We may want to look into tables and trashcans for Thompson Lake as well as identify a location to place them. We might have to postpone working on this until we have more help on the committee has more bandwidth to deal with Thompson Lake or additional committee members.

Lake Mary

We should be able to fix the road to the Lake Mary dock since the township is property owners. If we are able to get the Spark Grant from the State we can include road maintenance to the budget.

Properties

Brightwater Park – Diane Akright

Diane is going to go ahead and order picnic tables, trashcans, and kiosk so that we can get it ordered before our grant period ends. Island Contractors will complete the final grade and the launch area once the weather allows, in the spring.

Feasibility study for the skid pier is on hold because the ice never formed enough for the engineers to go on the water. Goal for the year is to add an outhouse.

Final report is due to the department of Ag at the end of Feb. The only outstanding budget item is the feasibility study. Final inspection will occur sometime this summer.

We are still planning on having a kite flying event for a grand opening on July 1st.

Wagner Room – Diane

We need to start thinking about use how the space is used, exercise equipment is starting to encroach on usable space. We could consider cabinets or lockers for storing some of it. We have a bunch of tables that should be replaced, maybe a couple a year.

North Shore –

No update.

Lake Mary – Jay Beugly

Spark Grants We are planning on submitting for Michigan Spark grants for fund clearing of the parking area, campsite improvements, and road repairs.

Nichols Point – Ginger Canup

The survey is on hold, Ginger will try and find new surveyors. The title search is done, the property that the dnr is selling to us is okay.

Logo – Ginger Canup

Ginger is going to make sure Diane has a high quality digital version of the logo so that she can get quotes and estimates on having signs made. We think it would be nice to have signs with stone bases and arched cedar to support the hanging sign.

Photo Contest – Ginger Canup

Waiting on 2 photographers to send in their bio information. Then will work on quotes for making the calendar.

Art Show

No update

5yr Plan

We need to make sure to publish the information in specific locations to make sure the public is aware. Diane will double check what other items we may be missing for the State to accept our 5yr plan. Ginger is going to take the lead on the 5yr plan once Diane gets her all the information.

New Business**MTA**

Tom Bach requested funds from the township board to attend the Michigan Township Association. He was approved to travel there, but didn't receive much in the way of funds.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:22pm

Schedule

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday March 9th, 2023.

