PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

**REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2017**

# City Hall Council Chambers

301 W. Main St. Owosso, MI 48867

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Espich called the meeting to order at 7: 00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Was recited.

**ROLL CALL:** Was taken by Main Street / DDA Manager, Josh Adams

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman Espich**,** Vice-Chair Jeff Selbig, Commissioners Jerry Hebekeuser, Nick Seabasty and Andrew Workman.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Commissioners Rick Morris and Randy Woodworth

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mayor Christopher Eveleth, Main Street/DDA Manager, Josh Adams.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA: COMMISSIONER HEBEKEUSER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR AUGUST 22, 2018 AS AMENDED.**

**MOTION SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER WORKMAN.**

**AYES ALL, MOTION CARRIED.**

**CHANGES: ADD ITEM #6 DISCUSSION OF RESTOCKING OF HOPKINS LAKE.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: VICE CHAIR SELBIG MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM JULY 25, 2018.**

**MOTION SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER HEBEKEUSER.**

**AYES ALL, MOTION CARRIED.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMISSIONER COMMENT:**

Chairman Espich reported that council did approve putting the millage question on the ballot for Parks and Recreation / Historical Commission.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None.

**BUSINESS:**

**Skate Park Update**

Mr. Adams made note of the new Pillar Design as a result of the survey and 60% were in favor of the street park and 40% were in favor of the bowl.

Chairman Espich asked about in-kind donations and Mr. Adams reported that he had not received that from Pillar. He also reported that Scott Gould updated the contract and sent it back to Pillar to sign. He also stated they were still looking for an October or November construction date.

Commissioners discussed the design and possible add-ons in the future.

**Disc Golf – Update**

Chairman Espich introduced Tim Law. Mr Law gave an update on the disc golf course. He reported that the spring rains slowed them down this year and he reported they are really close to finishing. He stated a lot of mowing and weed whacking needs to be done. Commissioners and Mr. Law discussed several things going on at the park. Mr. Law then reported on each hole at the disc golf course showing pictures of each and noting deficits and pluses of each.

Mr. Adams reported that if the DPW does the pouring of the concrete they wouldn’t be able to do it until next year due to all the projects going on right now per Mark Mitchell, DPW Supervisor.

There was a discussion between the Mayor and Commissioners regarding which decisions were to be made by the Parks and Recreation Commission and which decisions should made by city council.

**Ice Rink Prep and warming hut.**

Mr. Adams reported that DPW Superintendent, Mark Mitchell is concerned about moving the ice rink to Grove Holman Park because there isn’t any way to lock it up. Currently, when it thaws the rink is locked due to the possibility of damage to the liner with people trying to skate on it. Locking it up is not possible at Grove Holman at this point.

**Warming Hut**

Mr. Adams reported Mr. Mitchell stated there isn’t any gas or water at the building and it would have to be brought up to the current building code. There would be substantial work needed to be done to the building. Mr. Adams stated the city manager and himself would possibly go and look at the building.

Chairman Espich asked Mr. Adams when he went to check out the building that he would check on the baskets that were used to store clothing, during the years when the Holman Pool was in use. Chairman Espich stated a couple people have suggested selling them as a fundraiser.

Rail Trail

No updates.

**Parks and Recreation Millage Planning**

Mayor Eveleth and commissioners discussed suggestions on how to make the community aware of the millage. He suggested a flyer being mailed out.

**Stocking of Hopkins Lake**

No Updates.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS / COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Commissioners and Tim Law discussed getting volunteers for cleaning up the disc golf course.

**Date and time and meetings next month**

Commissioners present agreed to meet on September 26, 2018 at 7 p.m.

**VICE CHAIR SELBIG MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 8:25 P.M.**

**MOTION SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER SEABASTY**

**ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED.**