

NORTHFIELD TOWNSHIP

Parks and Recreation Board

Minutes – January 17, 2019

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:04p.m.

2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Present: Iaquinto, Steuer, Beliger, DeLisle, Short, Wilbur

Absent with Notice: Cole, Koenig, Saville

Also present: Tami Averill, Community Center Director

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Iaquinto to approve the agenda as presented. Second by DeLisle. Passed.

4. First Call to the Public

None.

5. Minutes of December 20, 2018 Meeting.

Motion made by Iaquinto to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Beliger. Passed.

6. Correspondence

None.

7. Planning Commission Update

Iaquinto reported that the Commission is working on the Master Plan and the marijuana ordinance.

8. Township Board Update

Beliger reported that Pond Hockey is moving forward. A committee was formed to look at changing the way civic events are approved. One of the candidates for the Planning Commission was not supported. Sam Iaquinto remains on the Commission for now.

9. School Board Update

None.

10. Downtown Planning Group Update

Wilbur reported that their next meeting will be held on January 28. They are looking for grants for future projects.

11. Project Review & Discussion

a. Community Garden – CiCi, Tim, Sam, Dave, Doug

Daisy Troop # 40111 would like to do clean-up and repair in the Community Garden in late March. Tami Averill will coordinate with them.

or early April.

b. Bark Park – Chuck, Randy, Lee

Discussion about where the tarp that had been on the Gazebo last year had come from. Bark Park patrons had put it up.

c. Community Park Planning – Doug, Tawn, Tim

Discussion regarding the Community Park and the Lockwood development proposal. The consensus was that the Lockwood proposal is not a good fit for this location in the Township. Tawn Beliger will take this opinion from the Parks & Recreation Board to the Township Board of Trustees meeting on January 22.

Work will continue on planning for what user friendly amenities can be added to the Community Park in stages.

Beliger and Saville are working on putting up posts and signs marking every 1/10 of a mile along the trail.

DeLisle will as representatives from Washtenaw County Parks & Recreation to attend our February meeting to get their thoughts and suggestions.

12. Adopt 2019 Meeting Schedule

Motion was made by Iaquinto to adopt the 2019 meeting schedule. Second by DeLisle. Passed.

13. Financial Report and Financial Action Items

Current balance is \$4,588.75. Signs for the park pathway have been purchased at the cost of \$120.00 that is not reflected in the balance.

Motion made by Wilbur to approve the report. Second by Short. Passed.

14. Discussion of Play Anywhere Grant

Discussion regarding whether to resubmit the proposal from last year. DeLisle suggested a proposal to add natural play areas to the path at the Community Park. Beliger and DeLisle will work with Jennifer Carlisle on this and to see if there is a way to combine it with last year's proposal.

15. Board Member Comments

Iaquinto mentioned that terms for Short and Saville will expire at the end of 2019. They will need to decide if they wish to remain on the Board. Steuer's term expires in 2020, and DeLisle's in 2021. He also expressed his thanks to all the Board members for their commitment to the community.

Beliger wished everyone a Happy New Year. She is looking forward to working on the park.

Wilbur reminded everyone that the group needs to remain focused on our projects and need to let the community know that we are active. Perhaps post highlights of what Parks & Recreation is doing on Facebook.

Short mentioned that she is excited to be on the Board and is looking forward to working with

everyone.

16. Announcement of Next Meeting – February 21, 2019

17. Adjournment.

Wilbur made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second by Beliger. Passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10p.m.