

OXFORD TOWNSHIP PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES JUNE 12, 2007

A regular meeting of the Oxford Township Parks and Recreation Commission was held on June 12, 2007 at 20 W. Burdick St. Oxford, Michigan.

Chairman Laidler called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Rick Laidler, Alyse Prince, Lynda Mueller, Theresa Myer, and Sharon Kline

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Ron Davis, Becky Paquin, Dan Sullivan, Lauren Jacobsen, and Jeff Kinasz

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Mueller moved, Prince seconded to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Motion Carried

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Mueller moved, Myer seconded to approve the minutes of May 8, 2007 as presented.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Motion Carried

**APPROVAL OF THE BILLS**

Prince moved, Myer seconded to approve the bills through May 31, 2007 in the amount of \$107,419.59 as presented.

Ayes: Laidler, Mueller, Prince, Myer, Kline

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

**RECREATION DEVELOPER REPORT**

Sullivan reported that youth soccer had ended and kiddie kickers had one more week. Track and peewee sports will start this summer. Adult softball, sand volleyball, and kickball will be starting soon. The pool summer session is starting on Monday.

Jacobsen reported that Rough Tough Trucks is being held Friday night from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm and encouraged everyone to attend.

Letters had been sent to all summer camp enrollees regarding the camp location. Due to work being done at OES this summer, the camp has been changed to Oxford High School. There was some concern about not having a play ground, however, the children will be able to use the pool.

**PARKS REPORT**

Kinasz reported that the first round of well tests had passed and the second ones were being done now.

Girl Scout troop 3187 donated their time to plant flowers at Seymour Lake Park.

Kinasz also informed the Commission that prices are being sent for doors on the new bathroom.

The US Fish and Wildlife has no funds available at this time for grants to add fish to lakes.

The parking lot at Stony Lake Park has been sealed and striped.

Kinasz said that he had retrieved parts to use in the bathroom from a school that was being torn down.

Stony is open and running smoothly. There has been just a little vandalism so far this year.

Roots have transplanted thirteen more trees at Seymour Lake Township Park.

**SENIOR REPORT**

Paquin reported that the Township Board has handed the new position of working with the seniors at the Vets Hall to the Parks and Rec. department. Pat Fitchena, Joe Ferrari and Paquin interviewed candidates for this new position. They decided to hire Donna Martin who lives in Oxford. Donna started last week helping out with a barbeque to introduce her to the seniors.

Paquin is meeting Wednesday with the elected board from the senior group.

Paquin said that she and Kinasz toured the horseshoe pits in Lake Orion to gather ideas for ours.

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**DIRECTORS REPORT**

Davis indicated that he was currently working on three golf outings including the Chamber, Dream Developers, Bogie Monster, and the new MRPA outing in memory of Ray Davis at Devils Ride.

Davis indicated that the numbers for the youth track program were down. There are only 16 in it now, Sullivan indicated that numbers were down in other summer camps.

**AXA EQUITABLE PRESENTATION**

After a presentation:

Kline moved, Mueller seconded to allow the employees of the Parks and Recreation department to participate in the AXA Equitable program.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Motion Carried

**SOCCER FIELD REQUEST**

Debra Garcia sent a letter to the department asking to use the premier soccer fields for a fundraiser for the Breast Cancer 3 day walk. She wants to hold a mini tournament that will be self-sustaining. No lining of fields is necessary and the nets are there already for soccer in mid-to late August.

After discussion:

Mueller moved, Prince seconded to waive the field usage fee for Debra Garcia's mini tournament to support fund raising for the Breast Cancer 3 day walk.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Motion Carried

**OXFORD SCHOOL FACILITY FEES**

Davis reported that the Oxford Area School trustees passed a facility user policy fee, which will affect us during the week and weekend events. There may be a \$36,000 yearly cost to the department to use the districts school facilities. Davis asked for a committee to go over the policy and bring it back to the next meeting.

Rick Laidler and Lynda Mueller volunteered to be the committee with Alyse Prince as a backup.

Davis showed a short video taped by the Oxford Community Television channel 19 of Oakwood Park. He explained that his presentation "the history of the parks" would be made next month; at least the first 20-30 slides.

**DEPARTMENT CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Prince thanked James and Michael Mundy as well as Jeff Rowe for their presentation of the 457B plan.

Davis mentioned that it is tent season, and he is hopping to get it set up. He also mentioned that Paquin and Sullivan had been instrumental in obtaining OCS Design to prepare our new web site.

Kinasz mentioned that Berger was married recently.

**ADJOURN**

Prince moved, Myer seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Motion Carried

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Rick Laidler, Chairman

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Theresa Myer, Secretary

Approved: July 10, 2007