

OXFORD TOWNSHIP PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
MINUTES MAY 13, 2008

A regular meeting of the Oxford Township Parks and Recreation Commission was held on May 13, 2008 at 20 W. Burdick St. Oxford, Michigan.

Chairman Laidler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Members Absent: Theresa Myer

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: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mueller moved, Kline seconded to approve the minutes of April 15, 2008.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Prince moved, Kline seconded to approve the bills in the amount of \$158,779.05 as presented.

Ayes: Laidler, Mueller, Prince, Kline

Nays: None

Absent: Myer

Motion Carried

RECREATION DEVELOPER REPORT

Sullivan reported that the adult softball program is up and running and the leagues are full. Registrations are being taken for sand volleyball and adult kickball. There is a co-ed over 30 soccer league with five teams on it. Sullivan also reported that the youth soccer program is running as well as the kiddie kicker program. Youth softball games start next week, and the select soccer league has had a strong spring. Youth football and volleyball camps will be held this summer. The Band Booster Concessions are moving along. The group covered their expenses on the first weekend the concessions were open. Sullivan reported that the open swim program is running in a deficit. He and the aquatic supervisor, Erin Marsh is looking for programs in the fall to generate money.

Laidler asked to have the pool issue placed on the agenda for June.

Jacobsen reported that she was working on the summer fun book which includes all youth programs and special events. She and Sullivan held interviews for camp staff last Saturday. Camp dates are June 16th through August 22, 2008. The camp staff will be attending a Northwest sponsored camp training session. Upcoming special events include the Bee movie at Devils Ridge and Rough Tough Trucks.

PARKS REPORT

Kinasz reported that the National Honor Society from Oxford High School would be at Seymour Lake and Powell Lake Township Parks Saturday morning picking up trash. He also reported that the water test for Stony Lake Park is at the County. The WAM group will be out Thursday working in the park. The plumbing at the new restroom in Seymour Lake Park is almost completed. The sprinklers on the soccer fields had to be turned on in April due to dry conditions. His department is keeping up with day to day operations.

SENIOR REPORT

Paquin said that she and Jacobsen attended the Chamber of Commerce Expo/Fashion show at Boulder Pointe. Paquin attended the Senior Expo held May 3rd at St. Joseph Catholic Church and also attended a meeting with Lynette Johnson, Pastor McMunn, and Bill Huntoon regarding programming at POH for seniors. Max Lee will be teaching line dancing free at the Vet's Hall again for senior citizens.

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DIRECTORS REPORT

Davis reported that he and Kinasz had walked the Splash Pad site with the Township Engineer. Disc golf hole #1 must be moved possibly to an area behind the tennis courts. He attended a meeting at Meijer with Dave Marsco regarding the splash pad. Davis said that he may go to Meijer in Grand Rapids to make a presentation there. Bricks, stones, and whales are being sold at the present to support the splash pad. The Bee movie as well as the Dream Developers golf outing proceeds will also be used for the splash pad.

Davis shared a letter he was instructed to send to the school district, along with the payment for facilities. Davis does not feel Skilling agrees with the fee structure. He commented that Skilling is a community minded person. The school fees have been paid from the increase in program fees. Laidler agreed to cooperate and give him a chance to turn things around; Mueller agreed.

OXFORD ADDISON YOUTH ASSISTANCE TRUCK REQUEST

After discussion -

Mueller moved, Prince seconded to approve the Oxford Addison Youth Assistance the use of the truck, driver, tent and tables for the Rural of a Pearl ride.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

Motion Carried

STONY LAKE TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE

After discussion -

Kline moved, Mueller seconded to request the Oxford Township Board of Trustees re-write Ordinance #56 in regards to Stony Lake Park use and ours.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

Motion Carried

TUITIION REIMBURSEMENT

Prince moved, Mueller seconded to approve the tuition reimbursement to Becky Paquin in the amount of \$386.00.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

Motion Carried

TRUCK LEASE/PURCHASE

Davis said that the truck lease is not due until December 21, 2008. He will advise as the date gets closer.

DEPARTMENT CORRESPONDENCE

Davis received a letter from a resident regarding the lack of safety paths to Seymour Lake Township Park. Davis forwarded the letter to the Township Board.

COMMISSION COMMENTS

Davis indicated that the budget/millage would be down next year by more than \$60,000.

Laidler explained that he had requested of Davis a report from one of the programmers regarding a program budget from start to finish. Paquin was asked first for a report on the senior program. Paquin distributed a report showing a deficit to date in the senior programming area.

ADJOURN

Prince moved, Kline seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

Motion Carried

Rick Laidler, Chairman

Theresa Myer, Secretary

Approved: June 10, 2008