



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

November 8, 2016

A meeting of the City of Petoskey Parks and Recreation Commission was held in the City Hall Parkside Room, Petoskey, Michigan, on Tuesday, November 8, 2016. Roll was called at 7:00 P.M. and the following were:

Present: Roy Pulaski, Chairperson
Amy McMullen, Vice Chairperson
Jim Daunter
William Hansen, Jr.
Mike Morey

Absent: Ken Turk

Staff: Al Hansen, Parks and Recreation Director
Jon Hummel, Parks and Recreation Employee

Minutes of the Monday, October 10, 2016 meeting were read and approved. Motion for approval was made by Amy McMullen, seconded by William Hansen, Jr., with all members present voting aye.

YEAS: Daunter, Hansen, McMullen, Morey, Pulaski (5)

NAYS: (0)

Planning Award

Commission members were informed that, on Wednesday, October 26, 2016, the City of Petoskey and the firm of Beckett and Raeder, Inc. of Petoskey and Ann Arbor, received a Planning Excellence Award for implementation of the Bear River Recreation Area. This award was presented to the City by the Michigan Association of Planning, a division of the American Planning Association. A letter from the Michigan Association of Planning and a press release were given to Commission members for review.

Recreation and Project Updates

At this time the Director shared with Commission members that the youth soccer and flag football seasons were successfully completed and that staff was now preparing for the men's, boys and girls basketball programs which will start in December 2016. In addition, staff will be setting up lessons for downhill skiing, snowboarding and ice skating which will commence in January 2017.

The Director gave a report on winterization of parks for winter and advised that all City irrigation systems, non-heated restrooms, the marina and Magnus Park Campground had all been winterized and that park crews were now concentrating on leaf removal.

The Director also gave an update on the Marina Pier B Electrical Upgrade. The planned electrical upgrade to Pier B at the marina was completed successfully this fall and the electrical system had been inspected and approved, and is ready for the 2017 boating season.

The Director advised that the tennis court renovation project had been completed with the exception of installing the drinking fountain which will be installed in the spring of 2017. The drinking fountain has been purchased and is in storage.

Special Events Policy

The Director and Commission members revisited a special events policy that was first reviewed on October 10, 2016 and worked on correcting language and clarifying several issues within this document. The Director will now go back and insert the added information and update the special events policy and share it with the Downtown Management Board, Department of Public Works Director, and the Department of Public Safety Director for their comments. Once their comments are received and incorporated the document will be brought back to the Parks and Recreation Commission, at their December or January meeting, for further review.

Resort Township Board Member

Jim Daunter, Resort Township representative on the Parks and Recreation Commission, announced that he will be leaving the commission at the end of this month and that he will be replaced by a new member from Resort Township in December 2016.

Jim has been a long serving member on the board for Resort Township and Commissioners thanked him for his service to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Master Plan

Amy McMullen asked what path the Commission will be working on in 2017 and the Director advised that they will be charged with the responsibility of preparing and reviewing the new Parks and Recreation 5-year Master Plan which will go into effect in 2018.

The Director requested that all Commission members review their current master plan documents and make notations under the park sections on information or improvements they would like to see incorporated into the new document which will be prepared in the up and coming year.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Parks and Recreation Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 P.M. Motion for adjournment was made by Amy McMullen, seconded by William Hansen, Jr., with all members present voting aye.

YEAS: Daunter, Hansen, McMullen, Morey, Pulaski (5)
NAYS: (0)

The next scheduled meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission will be held at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, December 12, 2016 at the City Hall Parkside Room.



Allen L. Hansen
Director of Parks and Recreation