



# Iosco County Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes May 14, 2018

The May 14, 2018 meeting Iosco County Parks and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order at 4 pm in the Commissioners room at the Iosco County building by Chairman Tom Ferguson.

## **ROLL CALL**

Present: Sue Flora, John Moehring, Rick Hammel, Frank Brewer, Tom Ferguson  
Absent: Jane Hayward, Bob Leslie, Bob Moore, Fred Strauer, Gary Blaser  
Guests, None

## **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

It was moved and supported to accept the agenda as mailed. Motion Carried

## **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

It was moved and supported to accept the minutes of March 19, 2018 Iosco County Parks and Recreation Commission as distributed. Motion Carried

## **PUBLIC MATTERS AND CONCERNS**

None

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **SNOWMOBILE/ORV TRAILS**

There is work to be done on the Dubie groomer that requires DNR approval as part of the cost sharing agreement. The DNR has indicated that funds are not currently available and the repairs will have to wait until later this summer. Brushing and signing will begin later this month in preparation for ORV and snowmobile seasons.

### **BIKE/HIKING TRAILS**

Tom reported that funding and other issues are being discussed by the MDOT and Iosco County Road Commission. It appears that everything is in good shape as the project moves forward. A letter from the owners of the old Ace Hardware Lumber Yard in Oscoda was discussed. With the bike path using right-of-way and not private property the request was received and forwarded to the Iosco County Road Commission for consideration without comment from the Iosco County Parks and Recreation Commission.

### **PARK DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Sue Flora indicated that she had talked with the Department of Environmental Protection concerning the easement for the drains at the Van Ettan Creek Park. Tom will discuss with Elite Shellenbarger to determine what steps need to be taken regarding the easement and inclusion on the property's deed.

### **5 YEAR PLAN**

Tom indicated that the 5-year Plan needed to be completed and that some work still needs to be done along with several public hearings. A committee of the commission will meet on Tuesday, May 22 at 10 a.m. to begin finalizing the report so that public hearings can be held.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

### **PARKS MILLAGE REQUEST:**

The parks millage request options were discussed. It was decided that Tom would work with Mr. Shellenbarger, county treasurer, to craft the language required for submission to the Iosco County Board of Commissioners for inclusion on the November general election ballot. That language will be brought back to the Parks Commission for discussion and approval. Sharing of funds with local

\*units of government was also discussed. The ballot language will need to address the options in the request as required by state law.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AND CONCERNS**

None

**Any Other Matters**

**PAYMENT OF BILLS AND PER DIEMS**

It was moved and supported to approve the Bills as submitted Roll Call: Ayes 6, Nays: 0

**NEXT MEETING**

Following discussion it was moved and supported to move the next meeting of the Iosco County Parks and Recreation Commission from 4 p.m. to 2 p.m. County Treasurer Elite Shellenbarger will join the meeting to discuss the Iosco Exploration Trail and other matters dealing with Parks and Recreation.

Next Meeting: Monday, June 18, 2018 at 2 p.m. in Commissioners Room