

# Proceedings of the Parks and Recreation Committee Monday June 3, 2014, 5:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee was held on Monday, June 3, 2014 at 5:30 P.M. in the Conference Room #1, Second Floor, Memorial Building, Ironwood, Michigan.

### 1. Call to Order:

Chair Davey called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

# 2. Recording of the Roll:

MEMBER	PRES YES	SENT NO	EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
Anderson, Paul	X			
Burchell, Annette	X			
Davey, Sam – Chair	Χ			
Kangas, Tom	Χ			
Rick Semo, ex-officio, non-voting	X			
True, Marion	X			
Vuorenmaa, Bruce	X			
Wamhoff, Colleen	Χ			
	8	Quorum		

Also present, Community Development Director Michael J.D. Brown.

#### **3.** Approval of the Minutes:

**Motion** by Anderson to approve the May 5, 2014 Meeting Minutes. **Second** by Kangas. **Motion** carried 7 to 0.

**4.** Approval of the Agenda: Item 8d – Ironwood Little League Field to be added to the agenda.

**Motion** by Burchell to accept the Agenda as presented adding Item 8d, Ironwood Little League Field. **Second** by Anderson. **Motion carried 7 to 0.** 

5. Citizens wishing to address the Committee on Items on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit):

None

6. Citizens wishing to address the Committee on items not on the Agenda (Three-minute limit):

None

- 7. Park Financials: Director Brown presented the financial statements and stated that if there were any questions to contact Director Linn.
- 8. Items for discussion and consideration:
  - a. Motion of Support for the Ironwood Comprehensive Plan:

**Motion** by Davey to support the Ironwood Comprehensive Plan. **Second** by True. **Motion** Carried 7 to 0.

- b. Dog Park Contest: Discussion ensued. The Committee will look for grants for this project. Director Brown will contact the Model Airplane group and begin a discussion with them about the property for potential shared use as a dog park.
- c. Mt. Zion: Discussion was had regarding Mt. Zion and improvements that could be made, including the repair of the road up to Mt. Zion, thinning and landscaping of trees; having an accessible viewing deck and an accessible tower (along the lines of Anger Tower in MN). It was commented on that the City could work with the Gogebic Community College and Township on this project.
- d. Ironwood Little League Field: Discussion ensued regarding fill at the Ironwood Little League Field from the US2 project for the parking area.

**Motion** by Anderson to request that the Planning Commission allow the Parks & Recreation Committee to review the site plan prior to Planning Commission Approval. **Second** by Vuorenmaa. **Motion Carried 7 to 0.** 

# 9. Project Updates:

a. Goals: The 2014 goals of the Parks and Recreation Committee were reviewed.

#### 10. Other Business:

- a. Anderson asked about the status of the regional trail. Director Brown informed the Committee that the City wasn't able to acquire the necessary easements so now the trail will be detoured around private property along the southern grade until it gets around the private property. Manager Erickson is preparing the trail specs. Once the specs are complete it will require DNR approval. Once approved the lease and grant agreements must be approved by the City and DNR. Once the lease and grant agreements are approved then the City can go out to bid for the project.
- 11. Next Meeting: July 7, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

# 12. Adjournment:

**Motion** by Anderson to adjourn the meeting. **Second** by True. **Motion Carried 7 to 0.** Adjournment at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Sam Davey, Chair

Kim M. Coon, Community Development Assistant