

HOPE TOWNSHIP PARKS COMMISSION
Woodside Park – Hope
6066 Middle Road
Hope, MI 48628

July 6, 2010

PRESENT: Jim Hockemeyer, Terry Chrivia, Larry Maxwell, Starla Jordan &
Karen Davis
ALSO PRESENT: Andy Kobisa & Don Dice
ABSENT: None

Jim Hockemeyer called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m. with a pledge to the flag.

SECRETARY REPORT:

. Minutes were presented to each member and read. Motion to accept the Minutes as written was made by Terry Crivia and seconded by Larry Maxwell. Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT:

. Treasurer's report was given and bills presented. Larry Maxwell made a Motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Jim Hockemeyer seconded the Motion. Terry Crivia made a Motion to pay all the bills and Jim Hockemeyer seconded the Motion.

Roll Call – Terry-Yes, Jim-Yes, Larry-Yes, Starla-Yes, Karen-Yes – Motion carried.

. A donation of \$50.00 was received for the years 2009 and 2010 from Phyllis Clevenhagen for the use of the Hope Township Park Pavillion.

. A very big thanks to Starleen Eddy for making up the flier advertising the park picnic for 2010 to be included in with the mailing of the summer tax bill. Very nice job, Starleen.

. The Hope Township Park Commission ended the year 2009 with a deficit of \$1,062.96 discounting the special fund balance of \$1,148.42.

. Starla Jordan received a bill from Lowes for \$238.00 stating we were late with our payment to them. Starla has repeatedly asked them to send her the bills, thereby eliminating the payment being late each month.

OLD BUSINESS:

- . **BRINE:** Jim Hockemeyer has talked to the people and they said they would try for the 19th or 20th of July to have it done before the park picnic.
- . **PAVILLION LIGHTS:** Don Dice said there hasn't been anymore vandalism to the lights.
- . **WALKING TRACK BENCHES:** Terry Crivia has completed this project and they are now in place. **VERY NICE JOB, TERRY.**
- . **STAINING OF BLEACHERS, BENCHES, EVERYTHING:** Again, Don and Diane Dice just took this job upon themselves and did it all. **AGAIN, GOING OVER AND ABOVE THEIR PARK DUTIES AND JUST DOING WHATEVER NEEDS DOING.**
- . **PARK PICNIC IN PAVILLION B:** Paul Ouderkirk graciously traded Pavillion B to us for Pavillion A. The Hope Township people thank him for his kindness.

PICNIC ASSIGNMENTS:

- . **GIFTS FOR CHILDREN** – Starla Jordan and Karen Davis
- . **WATER** – Jim Hockemeyer
- . **LEMONADE & ICED TEA** – Karen Davis
- . **FOOD** – Starla Jordan and Karen Davis
- . **COOKING** – Rudy Turk
- . **COOKIES** – Everybody bring two dozen
- . **GIFT CARDS FOR ADULTS** – Joanne Wilkie
- . **CAMERAS** – All Park Commission Members

NEW BUSINESS:

- . **REPAIR OF THE CRAFTSMAN MOWER DECK:** Don Dice has already taken care of getting this done.
- . **SUGGESTIONS:** Jim Hockemeyer is going to make up some kind of form for the people to fill out with any suggestions they may have for future picnic ideas.
- . **VINCENT GAS STATION:** Dan Vincent was contacted and he will start sending all bills to Starla Jordan as soon as he gets her address. Starla to take care of this.
- . **REVIEW:** A review of the park duties will be reviewed at the August meeting.

MIDLAND DAILY NEWS: Andy Kobisa said Kelly will be with us at the picnic to record the presentation of a donation from the Lawrence & Eleanor Matthews Family to the Hope Township Fire Department and the Hope Township Cemetary/Chapel.

FENCING: Andy Kobisa stated he talked to Joanne Wilkie about the fencing coming across the front of the Hope Township Park. Joanne's reasoning for wanting this fencing to extend from the cemetary across the park was that she felt it was a safety issue for any children playing in the park against anybody driving by and possibly stopping and abducting a child as well as running out in the road. It was stated at the meeting the Park Commission does not have the money to even go half with the township.

TRAINING OF DOGS: Andy Kobisa mentioned to the Park Commission a man comes to the park to train his dogs. He was there one day when Joanne Wilkie was at the park with her grandchildren. One of the dogs ran up to her grandchild and Joanne was afraid the dog was going to bite. Joanne told the man he no longer could use the park for training his dogs. Andy suggested the Park Commission have another sign made that reads all animals have to be on a leash to come into the park.

Starla Jordan suggested some kind of recognition be done for Lori Childs at the picnic (if she attends) for her 12 years of service to the Hope Township Park Commission. Jim Hockemeyer said he would have something written up for that day to thank her for her service.

Motion to adjourn was made by Terry Crivia and seconded by Jim Hockemeyer at 8:17 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Davis
Woodside Park Secretary