

HOPE TOWNSHIP PARKS COMMISSION

Woodside Park - Hope
6066 Middle Road
Hope, MI 48628

April 5, 2011

PRESENT: Jim Hockemeyer, Terry Chrivia, Larry Maxwell, Starla Jordan & Karen Davis

ALSO PRESENT: Don Dice & JoAnn Wilkie

ABSENT: None

SECRETARY REPORT:

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

TREASURERS REPORT:

· Treasurer's report was given. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Terry Chrivia seconded by Jim Hockemeyer. Motion carried. Motion to pay all bills was made by Larry Maxwell and seconded by Terry Chrivia.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

· Jim Hockemeyer to get the posts to install the new leash law and reward signs. Don Dice will be assisting on this project as soon as purchased.

· Larry Maxwell checked with Consumers Energy and was told they no longer install poles for street lights. Terry Chrivia suggested we buy one that is treated for underground. Jim Hockemeyer did check on a price for a 24-foot pole which will cost approximately \$95.00. Jim is not sure what the legality is for connecting the wiring and feels we will probably need a licensed electrician. Jim believes he, Terry Chrivia and Larry Maxwell will be able to do everything except the final connection. Jim Hockemeyer tabled this project until next meeting while he checks out the costs, etc., involved.

· GRANTS: Starla Jordan is still in the gathering information mode before she can start to submit for the grants.

NAME BOARDS: The question was posed if we should still continue to keep the name boards. JoAnn felt the answer to that was yes. Don Dice confirmed this and said the storage of these name boards takes up very little room in the storage barn.

· PAVILLION DOORS: Was questioned whether to keep these doors up or leave them down. Last year we had just one person request they be raised for their picnic. They will stay down unless otherwise requested to be opened.

NEW BUSINESS:

· WATER SAMPLES: Taking of the water samples was mentioned for the park. It was stated Andy Kobisa always takes care of this. To ask Andy at the Board Meeting if he will be doing this or one of the Park Commission will be taking care of it.

- DRIVEWAY: Don Dice and Jim Hockemeyer will check into this to see how much gravel we will need.
- BRINING: Jim Hockemeyer talked to the Road Commission. Last year they did not charge the park for this service. Jim does not feel it is right to accept this service free of charge and asked them to send us a bill. The Road Commission did say they would come in and brine the driveway for the summer season.
- TRACTOR: Jim Hockemeyer and Don Dice will be taking care of getting the equipment ready for the 2011 summer season.
- INSPECTION: Larry Maxwell and Terry Chrivia will be inspecting all of the play equipment, checking to see what boards need replacing on benches, bleachers, etc.
- GARBAGE CANS: Jim Hockemeyer will be getting the chains and locks for all the garbage cans.
- PARK PICNIC: Everybody was asked to get their thinking caps on. It's just around the corner.
- FOOD PROGRAM: JoAnn Wilkie came to the meeting to discuss the food program she read about in the Michigan Township News. JoAnn went ahead and registered Hope Township as there was a deadline of March 31, 2011. JoAnn asked if the Park Commission was interested in doing a project/service such as this. Starla Jordan to check into this and find out what it all entails, i.e., how many days a week, is it for children, how does it come in, what the distribution guidelines are, etc.

Motion to adjourn was made by Terry Chrivia and seconded by Starla Jordan at 7:53 p.m.
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Davis
Woodside Park Secretary