

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

March 4, 2014

**PRESENT:** Jim Hockemeyer, David Yahr, Starla Jordan, Terry Chrivia and Casey Johnson

**ALSO PRESENT:** Bob Pyle, Andy Kobisa, Jody Jordan

**ABSENT:**

Jim Hockemeyer called the meeting to order at 6:56 p.m. with a pledge to the flag.

**SECRETARY REPORT:**

Minutes were presented to each member and read. A Motion to accept the minutes as written was made by David Yahr and seconded by Terry Chrivia. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

The Treasurer's report was given to each member. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Casey Johnson and seconded by Jim Hockemeyer. Motion carried. Motion to pay all bills was made by Terry Chrivia and seconded by David Yahr. Roll Call: Starla-Yes, Casey-Yes, David-Yes, Jim-Yes, Terry-Yes. Motion carried.

**BUSINESS:**

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS 2014:**

Chairman- Starla nominated and Terry seconded Jim Hockemeyer as Chairman.

Vice Chairman- Jim nominated and David seconded Terry as Vice Chairman.

Secretary- Terry nominated and David seconded Casey Johnson as Secretary.

Treasurer- Jim nominated and Terry seconded Starla as Treasurer.

Trustee- Jim nominated and Terry seconded David as Trustee.

**GRANTS:**

Casey to look into possible grants. Areas of help include: zero turn mower, baseball field fences, handicap swing, trees around track, picnic tables, chips around playground, gravel for parking, railroad tie replacements.

**SANFORD YOUTH BASEBALL LEAGUE:**

Casey spoke with officials from the league. They plan on using the fields for practice this year however, can't use them for games due to regulations on not having an outfield fence as well as field conditions. They plan on working on the fields, specifically the infields, to get them up to par for games. They are working on grants for the fields as well. They hope to be able to play games on the fields next year.

**PARKING PRIOR TO PARK OPEN:**

All people using the park prior to the gate being open will need to park at the cemetery, just East of the park.

**PAINTING PAVILIAN A and CONCESSION STAND:**

Kiwanis Club is planning to get with Starla midsummer.

**INSTALLING THE LIFE TRAIL STATION:**

44 holes need to be drilled for anchors. Jim and Bob will look into this in the spring.

**CITY WATER INTO PARK:**

On hold. Andy working on this.

**LIGHT ABOVE BATHROOM DOORS:**

Jim will install a new light.

**BROKEN JUMP TOY:**

A bolt snapped off. Jim looking at removal.

**LARRY MAXWELL PLAQUE:**

David working on this.

**WOODSIDE PARK SIGN:**

Boys Scouts helping in Spring (~April)

**NEW OUTSIDE FAUCET:**

Jim is looking into the spring loaded faucets like they have at state parks. He is also looking into locations of installation.

**OPENING OF PARK:**

Jim and Bob will decide when to open the gate off Middle Road. This will depend on weather. They will also decide when to turn on the water.

**GIFT CARD DINNER FOR SCOTT MAXWELL:**

Mr. Maxwell sprayed the park in 2013 for dandelions. Bob took Mr. Maxwell to dinner. Thank you Bob.

**PARK PICNIC JULY 19<sup>th</sup>:**

Starla is looking into getting Louie Lon, possibly the Camel. Looking for more ideas. Starla also working on flyers and possibly a putt putt golf setup. It was decided by park officials that the 25 year anniversary will be in 2017.

**PREPARING LAWN EQUIPMENT FOR 2014:**

Bob and Jim will perform oil changes, greasing, and blade sharpening.

**CHECK ALL PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT:**

Casey and David will conduct a walkthrough of the park to ensure all equipment is functioning as it should.

**MOVING OF DUMSTER:**

Jim and Bob will work on pulling stakes and moving the dumpster. This will allow the trash trucks to collect the trash without driving on the grass.

**INSTALL LIGHTS IN PAVILIAN A FOR TRUNK OR TREAT:**

We are looking into portable lights. Casey to get with Andy.

**CLEANING CONCESSION BUILDING:**

We will go through what is needed and discard anything not being used.

**REPLACEMENT OF BAD RAILROAD TIES:**

Found some for \$5 apiece. Need to find a viable solution due to old ties rotting.

Motion to adjourn was made by Terry Chrivia and seconded by Starla Jordan at 8:23 p.m.  
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Casey Johnson  
Woodside Park Secretary