

Powell Township Park & Recreation

April 2021 Minutes

P.O. Box 319
Big Bay MI, 49808

Date: 04/13//2021

Time:

Members:	Present	Absent	Excused
Sven Gonstead -Chair	P		
Jill Bevins -Secretary	P		
Darlene Turner	P		
Lucy Wilcox	P		
George Girod	P		
Heidi Shatz			Ex
Kellie Santilli	P		

1. **Approval of Agenda** Motion made by Lucy to accept agenda, supported by George.
2. **Additions & Approval of Minutes** Correction to March minutes: should be Wayfinding instead of wayfaring. Motion made by Darlene to accept corrected March minutes seconded by Kellie
3. **Financial Report:** See monthly financial report

Public Comment: No public comment

Reports-

1. **Big Bay Pathway (Sven)** Not much to report, Mr. Santilli may help out with mowing.
2. **Burns Landing(Darlene)** Hopefully bids will be coming out by next month so second phase can start. Spoke with Clair, No conflicts with Bay Cliff and current plan..
 - a. Picnic Table: \$2000 Motion made by Lucy to purchase and deliver 2 new accessible tables, supported by Sven
3. **Draver Park (Committee) Lucy:** Discussion about accessible Porta potty for park. Price from North Country \$325 per month for cleaning every week, \$200 every other week. Shoot for Mid-May installation until Mid- October. Clerk will determine which P & R account money will come from. Placement will be decided later, perhaps by trail parking lot. Motion made by Jill to contract for accessible portapotty from May to October, to cost under \$1,000. Seconded by Kellie.
4. **Thomas Rock (Committee)**
 - a. Gravel needed for parking lot. 1st or 2nd week of May clean up party. \$600 for 2 loads of gravel. Motion by Lucy to purchase two loads, supported by Kellie.

5. **Concert Series (Sven)** Tabled.....Hope to be able to do something in September.
6. **Community Garden** (George, Marcia, Lucy) Sub committee met. Phased project into 4 phases... See documentation. In phase 1 currently. Order placed with Mqt Co Conservation district for shrubs and trees. Hi bush cranberry, other berries, lilacs, and a few others. In two weeks they will have native wild flower sale. Marcia showed pictures of where wild flowers will grow. Will need (dirty) wood chips for ground cover. Will be postponed until public hearing meeting in May. We need more volunteers. Teacher and classes are interested in helping out in Fall. Discussion of making field trips to other community gardens for ideas during the summer. Publicise meeting well to encourage community to participate.
7. **PTRA Trails (Sven)** Signage to put up. Work party, clean up. This weekend. Pick up sticks etc. Kiosk needs to be completed. \$2500 was designated for that. Dan Perkins donated roof for Kiosk. Groomer to be removed from school garage for summer. School needs the space for summer art classes. Looking for help for this weekend on trail. Saturday at 10:00 AM

Grants-

1. None

Old Business-

1. **5- Year Rec Plan Annual Review:** New date set: May 12, 2021 6:30 PM Word needs to get out for the meeting. Lucy will try to get email blast out to as many people as possible.

Additional Old Business-

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New Business-

1. **Parks and Recreation Committee Rep for Space Port Advisory Committee:** We need a volunteer to be the rep. Lucy has volunteered. Motion to appoint Lucy to liaison for Parks and Rec. by .Kellie, seconded by George.
2. **Parks and Trails Manager part time position.** There is a need to hire someone for 16 hrs. Per week @ \$15.00 per hour. Approx. \$12,000 annual cost. Year round (Trail and parks manager.) Summer trail work, winter grooming. Jill made a motion to post for the position, Darlene supported. Sven created a thorough job description.
3. **Powell Path/Historical Trail:** Long way away, introducing concept. Table for next meeting. This will take grant monies and time. Continue work on current projects as we explore possibilities. Having a trail manager in place will help in the grant processes.
4. **Donated Funds for signage:** Signage proposal will be brought in by Sven to review for wayfinding, possibly by next month.

5. **Trail Counters and Security Boxes.** Need to purchase better boxes for counters that can be locked.
 - a. **Burn's Landing Car Counter** Would like to purchase car counter for road by Harbor.
 - b. **Thomas Rock** Trail counters for Thomas Rock, and Powell Peak.
 - c. **Powell Peak** These will help with grant work by getting numbers for usage.
Proposal to come for next meeting.
6. **DiskUP** Non-profit for frisbee golf. Would like to come and talk to us about a frisbee golf course in PT. Sven will invite them to come to the June meeting.
7. **Trail Clean Up** and Signage April 17, 10am
8. **PTRN trails nickname:** Powell Trails

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Public Comment: Marcia remarked that contact with community is difficult. She has found that road signs are effective, sandwich boards, etc. People driving by see things and notice them.

Time meeting adjourned: 8:04 Jill/George

Next Regular Meeting: May 11th

Minutes Prepared by:

Powell Township Annual Programing/Events

Last Edited: 1/5/2020

Thomas Rock Snowshoe Event (Third Saturday of January)

Fishing Derby (Second Weekend in February)

Honey Bear Classic (Second Weekend in February)

Easter Egg Hunt (1st Saturday before Easter)

Thomas Rock Spring Clean-up (1st week of May)

Burn's Landing Spring Clean-up (1st week of May)

Draver Park Spring Clean-up (1st week of May)

Big Bay Relay (3rd Saturday of May)

Memorial Day Softball Tournament (Memorial Day Weekend)

1st Summer Concert (2nd or 3rd Saturday in June)

PTRN Volunteer Picnic (2nd or 3rd Saturday in June)

July 4th Parade (July 4th)

July 4th Softball Tournament (Weekend After July 4th)

Fire On The Bay (Saturday after July 4th)

2nd Summer Concert (Saturday After July 4th)

3rd Summer Concert (1st Saturday in August)

Fireman's Picnic (3rd Sunday in August)

Labor Day Softball Tournament (Labor Day weekend)

Harvest Festival (3rd weekend in September)

4rth Summer Concert (3rd weekend in September)

Christmas Tree Lighting (1st Saturday in December)