

Powell Township Parks & Recreation

May 10, 2022

PO Box 319

Big Bay, MI 49808

Date: May 10, 2022

Time: 6:33 pm

Members:

Sven Gonstead – Chair	Present
Darlene Turner	Present
George Girod	Excused
Heidi Shatz	Present
Kelli Santilli – Secretary	Present

1. Approval of Agenda. MOTION to approve agenda made by Heidi/supported by Darlene (aye 4, nay 0).
2. Financial Report. Monies from CD cashed out in February needs to be moved to Parks and Rec donated.

Public Comment: None.

Guests:

Lauri Shaw

Coty Sorby

REPORTS

1. **Big Bay Pathway (Sven)** – Making plans. Contacted Great Lakes Climate Corp requesting volunteer assistance.
2. **Burns Landing (Darlene)** – 2 permits signed this week.
3. **Draver Park (Committee)** – Sticks need picked up, advise custodian.
4. **Thomas Rock (Committee)** – Cleaned. Pete compliment P&R for excellent job. Add potluck to Thomas Rock Spring Clean-up. One day (May 17/18/19) conservation will be pulling napweed at Thomas Rock.

5. **Concert Series (Sven)** – Discussed food truck vs. concession stand. Heidi (Laurie) to try to schedule. Discussed band tip (band discretion and responsibility). Discussed paying bands in cash (township treasurer will secure funds from clerk week of each concert). Banner needs to be ordered – Laurie will research pricing. Discussed poster design – Erica Waite (via text) agreed to design, submit by end of next week. Discussed recognizing community volunteerism/award. MOTION to approve \$4300.00 for concert series made by Heidi/supported by Sven. (aye 4, nay 0)
6. **Native/Community Garden (Heidi/George)** – Planting in the next 2 weeks. No fruit trees (sold out). Adrian to graft fruit trees next year. Wood chips source fell through, need another source.
7. **PTRA Trails (Sven)** - Flagging started, intermediate trail, Thomas Rock side. Tree down on Sweet Pine. Tom to clear. Coordinate cleanup with NTN Dirtball next year. Obtain copy of signed contract.

GRANTS – None.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **E-bike policy** – Policy adapted from DNR, similar to NTN. MOTION to approve policy made by Darlene/supported by Heidi (aye 4, nay 0).
2. **Parks and Trails Manager position** – Resumes submitted to township board. Interviews to be Thursday, beginning at 4:00 pm.
3. **Vending binoculars** – Custodian will make concrete platform to secure binoculars.
4. **Zoom account** – Account auto-renewed. Cancel account and obtain refund. Virtual no longer provided, clerk to be notified to update website.
5. **Committee Vice Chairperson** – MOTION to appoint Heidi as vice chairperson made by Darlene/supported by Kelli (aye 4/nay 0).
6. **Big Bay Relay** – May 21, 2022. 41 teams. Volunteers needed. Laurie Shaw to put out signs morning of race. Heidi suggested contacting Sideline to Sideline. Sweep car with first aid person needed. Cookies needed for racers, Heidi to provide 2-3 dozen.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Draver Park Clean-up** – Custodian will be advised of need. Dash for Trash possibly assist.
2. **Draver Park Accessible Porta-John** – Meijer grant not done. Quotes may change due to gas prices. Strenburg services mine, may discount since in area (\$375/mo). North Country \$300/28 days. Darlene to add to mini-grant. Laurie to contact Strenburg and North Country regarding sponsorship or discount.
3. **PTRA signage** – Sven will get sign approved last year.
4. **BBSC 510 wayfinding corridor signage** – BBSC going to MCRC Monday.

5. **Storage Shed at Thomas Rock** – Keep hand tools for trail building and lawn maintenance in shed.
6. **Ball fields June 24-26** – Joe Cram, discussed concession stand, Kelli to try to find staffing. MOTION to approve \$1000 to get concession stand operational for 2022 season made by Kelli/supported by Heidi (aye 4, nay 0).
7. **Laurie Shaw** – MOTION to appoint Laurie Shaw to Powell Township Parks Committee made by Heidi/supported by Darlene (aye 4, nay 0).
8. **Paypipes** – Yellowdog Watershed advised Aaron Holiday would make for \$600 per paypipe. Heidi questioned need for digital, add to next month meeting. Kelli questioned who to collect and need for Trails Manager to be bonded if they are to collect monies, to call insurance company for quote. Collection should be biweekly at minimum. Locations to be Burns Landing, Thomas Rock, Draver (Big Bay Pathway trailhead), and replace collection box at PTRN trails kiosk.

ADDITIONAL NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn made by Heidi/supported by Kelli (aye 4, nay 0) at 8:19 pm.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – June 14, 2022

Minutes prepared by Kelli Santilli

Powell Township Annual Programming/Events

last edited 05/11/2022

Thomas Rock Showshoe Event (third Saturday of January)

Fishing Derby (second weekend in February)

Honey Bear Classic (second weekend in February)

Easter Egg Hunt (first Saturday before Easter)

Thomas Rock Spring Clean-up and Potluck (first week of May)

Burns Landing Spring Clean-up (first week of May)

Big Bay Relay (third Saturday of May)

Memorial Day Softball Tournament (Memorial Day weekend)

First Summer Concert (second or third Saturday in June)

PTRN Volunteer Picnic (second or third Saturday in June)

July 4th Parade (July 4)

July 4th Softball Tournament (weekend after July 4)

Fire on the Bay (Saturday after July 4)

2nd Summer Concert Series (Saturday after July 4)

3rd Summer Concert Series (first Saturday in August)

Fireman's Picnic (third Sunday in August)

Labor Day Softball Tournament (Labor Day weekend)

Harvest Festival (third weekend in September)

4th Summer Concert Series (third weekend in September)

Christmas Tree Lighting (first Saturday in December)