

Powell Township Parks & Recreation

PO Box 319
Big Bay, MI 49808

Date: 08/08/2023

Time: 6:30 PM

Members:

Sven Gonstead - Present

Darlene Turner (treasurer) - Present

Heidi Shatz (chair) - Present

Kelli Santilli (secretary) - Present

Lauri Shaw - Present

Coty Sorby (vice chair) - Present

Linda Ludwig - Excused

1. Approval of Agenda. MOTION to approve agenda made by Sven/supported by Coty (6 aye; 0 nay).
2. Approval of Minutes. MOTION to approve minutes made by Sven/supported by Darlene (6 aye; 0 nay)
3. Financial Report. Clerk has not moved \$15,000 as previously approved, waiting on auditor input.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

PRESENTATIONS:

GRANTS:

1. MDARD 2023 application: Coty to write. Due November.
2. MDARD 2021: Meeting Tuesday August 29 at 5:00 pm.
3. Community Building: Pass on this grant.
4. MDARD Rural Readiness: BBSC writing. Request partnership from Powell Township and letter of support from Parks and Recreation. MOTION for Heidi to write letter of support made by Kelli/supported by Lauri (6 aye; 0 nay).

REPORTS

1. **Parks and Rec Trail Manager (Coty)** – Holy Moses done; 6-8 signs will be needed. Thomas parking lot repaired. Beaver damage repaired on Big Bay Pathway. Longyear will be blocking access due to ATV damage to road and garbage (Sven to contact). Working on walkway at Burns. Colin started PTRAs parking lot. Bleachers new boards installed.
2. **Burns Landing (Darlene)** – Road commission will not allow parking lot. Will discuss with grant.
3. **Draver Park (Committee)** –
 - a. **Softball Field Fence** – Coty to cut and roll by September 23.
 - b. **Bleachers and Boards** – Done.
4. **Thomas Rock (Committee)** – Binoculars need annual maintenance. Coty to complete. Mining Journal, Marquette Monthly, TV6 – Lauri/Linda to contact.
5. **Concert Series (Sven)** –
 - a. **September 23rd show**
 - b. **Need new signage for both sides of sandwich boards** – Sven to complete.
 - c. **Printing and Posting of Posters** – Share cost with BBSC. MOTION for \$100 to print posters made by Kelli/supported by Lauri (6 aye; 0 nay).
 - d. **Food Allowance for Bands** – Tickets to be given to band members.
 - e. **Budget for Next Concert** – MOTION for \$900 to pay band and cover food costs made by Sven/supported by Heidi (6 aye; 0 nay).
6. **Native/Community Garden (Heidi)** – Workday not attended. Herbicide to be applied by Conservation District. MOTION made to allow after school done working in garden made by Heidi/supported by Sven (6 aye; 0 nay).
7. **PTRA Ribbon Cutting** – October 1, 2023 at 2:00 pm. Linda and Lauri to write press release.
8. **2023 Work Plan Review** – Plan a community meeting in November.
9. **Fundraising** – T-shirts new design. Fundraising letters to go out again in April with all events and given tiers of support.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Big Bay Parks and Rec Newsletter** – Tabled for September meeting.
2. **QR Code** – Kelli working with PayPal – still waiting for PayPal.
3. **Lake Superior Partnership Trails Initiative** – No report.
4. **5-year Rec Plan Review** – As above.

ADDITIONAL OLD BUSINESS

1. **Microwave replacement** – Tabled.
2. **Sign/Poster for Big Bay Pathway to send people to Powell trails** – Lauri to do.
3. **Powell Trails Parking Lot** – Tabled.

4. **NMU Outdoor Rec Dept** – No report.
5. **Stop the Rocket donation (thank you)** – Kelli to complete.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Road Crossing Update** – Meeting planned with Alex.
2. **T-shirts** – Wait for new design
3. **Cigarette receptacles** – MOTION to buy for \$75 made by Heidi/supported by Sven (6 aye; 0 nay).

ADDITIONAL NEW BUSINESS

1. **Name Trail** – Gobler Knob. MOTION to name trail Gobler Knob made by Heidi/supported by Lauri (6 aye; 0 nay)

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Todd Junot suggested using dog pens for can collection.

Nancy Gaines suggested asking community/school for T-shirt designs.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn made by Heidi/supported by Kelli (6 aye, nay 0) at 8:02 pm.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – September 12, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

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)

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)

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)