

Powell Township Parks & Recreation

PO Box 319
Big Bay, MI 49808

Date: 06/13/2023

Time: 6:45 PM

Members:

Sven Gonstead (chair) - Present

Darlene Turner - Present

Heidi Shatz (vice chair) – Present

Kelli Santilli (secretary) - Present

Lauri Shaw - Present

Coty Sorby - Present

Linda Ludwig – Present

1. Approval of Agenda. MOTION to approve agenda with additions made by Darlene/supported by Linda (7 aye; 0 nay). Additions include paying Ethan for poster design, stickers for Eagle appreciation, PTRA sign design, and hydraulic hose for mini-excavator.
2. Approval of Minutes. MOTION to approve minutes made by Sven/supported by Coty (7 aye; 0 nay)
3. Financial Report. No report provided.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. BBSC report – Sven Gonstead. Working on treasury grant; pocket parks.

GRANTS:

1. Michigan DNR SPARK Grand Round 2 application: Submit date 06/26/2023.
2. MDARD 2023 application: Need updated estimate for storage building. Submit in November. Sven and Coty to work on obtaining estimate.
3. MDARD 2021 amendment: Approved per Darlene. Needs to be completed by September 2023. On track for completion.

REPORTS

1. **Parks and Rec Trail Manager (Coty)** – Pocket parks to be installed at town hall, Draver, and church. Equip in good working order. Changed oil on compactor. Mow Big Bay

Pathway this week. Aggregate delivery delayed while safety concerns addressed.
Darlene to email Colin McWebb regarding liability.

2. **Big Bay Pathway/PTRA Trails** – As above.
3. **Burns Landing (Darlene)** – Bids significantly higher than initial bids; fundraising necessary.
4. **Draver Park (Committee)** –
 - a. **Softball Field Fence** – Open for Fall Fest? Lauri to talk to fence company for suggestions. Linda to talk to Joe Cram regarding need for more teams. Bleachers to be repaired.
5. **Thomas Rock (Committee)** – Aggregate and trees cut.
6. **Concert Series (Sven)** – Good concert June 10; 175 people. Thank you to Coty for help with setup. Next show July 8; band canceled (Sven to find replacement); Linda to take over concert social media; concert committee to meet before next concert.
 - a. **September 23rd show** – Combine with Fall Fest? Request Kelsey to come to next meeting.
7. **Native/Community Garden (Heidi)** – Darlene and Heidi to put up fence.
8. **PTRA (Sven)** – Waiting for deliveries. State police contacted regarding use of their land. Work bee June 18.
9. **2023 Work Plan Review** – Tabled for next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Powell Trails Parking Lot** – As above. Need to send thank you notes. Kelli to bring to next meeting.
2. **NMU Outdoor Rec Dept** – Pending.
3. **Stop the Rocket Donation** – As above.

ADDITIONAL OLD BUSINESS

1. **Equestrian Trails letter** – Darlene sent email. No reply.
2. **Refrigerator and microwave replacement** – Refrigerator replaced for \$200. Kelli to check with Nancy Gaines about microwave.
3. **Sign/Poster for Big Bay Pathway to send people to Powell trails** – Pending.
4. **June 19 volunteers-Embers** – Paint/stain bleacher boards. Kelli to check with Samantha. Coty to check with Scott.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Financial Situation** -- Kelli discussed cash line errors. MOTION made by Lauri/supported by Coty to request \$15,000 from general fund.
2. **Fundraising** – Committee to meet after this meeting.

3. **Marketing for Concert Series** – As above .

ADDITIONAL NEW BUSINESS

1. **Ethan paid for poster design** – Coty to obtain invoice from Ethan.
2. **Stickers for Eagle Mine appreciation** – MOTION for \$100 to purchase stickers made by Sven/supported by Darlene (7 aye; 0 nay)
3. **PTRA Sign/MDARD rec signs** – Coty requested input from committee. Signs Now to tweek.
4. **Hose** – U17 mini-excavator hydraulic hose is leaking. MOTION for \$150.00 for replacement hose made by Sven/supported by Heidi (7 aye; 0 nay).

PUBLIC COMMENT – Trail counters being managed by Daryl. Sven to obtain password.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn made by Darlene/supported by Sven (7 aye, nay 0) at 8:37 pm.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – July 11, 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)

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)