

ONTONAGON RECREATION COMMISSION

HELD AT 5:10 PM ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2014

AT 315 QUARTZ STREET, ONTONAGON, MI

PRESENT: Chairman J. Olszewski: Members:, Arnie Bolo, Sue Ernest, Sarah Wagner, T. Smydra, Jill Johnson and Manager, Joe Erickson

ABSENT: Dawn Miller

CALL TO ORDER:

At 5:10 pm the meeting was called to order and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA:

A motion was made by Wagner, second by Smydra, (CARRIED) to approve the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Johnson, second by Wagner, (CARRIED) to approve the minutes of April 16, 2014.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR: None

OLD BUSINESS:

ISLAND PARK –

- Manager had to make a few wording adjustments for grant and we are still in the running
- Marina hired a dredging consultant-they will also check on the banks and make stabilizing suggestions.
- Historical Society said the boat should be ready to be moved to the island in August or Sept. – we need to put fill in the area first.
- Plans to put a roof on the fish house this summer and Historical Society will clean it out.
- U.P. Power was doing work around the island building and they removed 2 trees.

NEW BUSINESS

A. RELOCATE BEACH VOLLEYBALL COURTS

Talked about moving the volleyball courts to town side after the railroad sidings are removed.

Suggested to do a community survey of what you like would to see in this area.

B. STATUS OF RAILROAD PROPERTY

The State has an offer in place with the EL&S to purchase the railroad property. They need to do an environment study first and this could be done by September. The Recreation Committee is looking at future recreational development of the railroad yard.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- At the pier, the dirt is washed away from the pipes that are running under the cement and the fence is loose. We will have DPW repair.

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- The committee had a discussion about the farmers market. Bill Johnson will clean up the area and Tony Smydra will talk to Frank Wardynski if the state is still sponsoring the program and what can be done to promote it better.
- Village crew cleared some dead trees on Trap Street – looks good
- There is a senate bill called Pure Michigan Trail Towns and it would be great to have Ontonagon be part of this program. MiTrail is going to sponsor an ORV event for MiTrail Week – September 20-28, 2014.

ADJOURN:

At 6:10 pm a motion was made by Johnson, second by Wagner, (CARRIED) to adjourn.

Marcia Aho-Black, Village Clerk

Date approved

NEXT MEETING: JUNE 18, 2014.