

# **ONTONAGON RECREATION COMMISSION**

**HELD AT 5:10 PM ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2017**

**AT 315 QUARTZ STREET, ONTONAGON, MI**

**PRESENT:** Jill Johnson – Chairperson, Members: Dawn Miller, Arnie Bolo, Sue Kempen Manager, Joe Erickson, Guests: Robert Rotundo, Don Chastan and Gunnard Kyllonen.

**ABSENT:** Tony Smydra, Sarah Wagner

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

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

## **AGENDA:**

A motion was made by Miller, second by Kempen, (CARRIED) to approve the agenda.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Miller, second by \_\_\_\_\_, (CARRIED) to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2017 and February 15, 2017 Recreation Commission

## **ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:**

### **BUSINESS ITEMS:**

#### **A. RECREATION PLAN GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

Master Gardner Club will be holding classes in town this summer – great community service.

Areas this could help to plant flowers:

James K. Paul Park, Entrance sign to town, along Main Street, Parks, Houghton Street Corridor, School class project to have kids buy into the project and/or Eagle Scouts.

Activities:

Dog park – need people to sponsor to help maintenance and clean up.

Soccer fields – could go by Industrial park or old school

Mountain bike trails – Hiking Trails by Park - Trail could go along the snowmobile trail going to the river banks.

Snowshoe, cross country ski trails –could share with the snowmobile trail along the river banks and/or golf club.

Skate Park/Roller Blade - paths along parks – and by high school tennis courts.

Putt Putt Golf Course -

Basketball Courts – by tennis courts by school

Community Garden – lot across from Recreation center or by Marina 9 best if it has more visible to the public to help watch the area. Another location could be in Diaperville or Rose Island– we would need water source. Rain barrels or tempered water would be the best. Best to work with Master Gardener Club.

Big League Baseball Field – old high school or Industrial park.

Neighborhood playgrounds – The area south of the bridge would be a great area for a pocket park with neighbor watch and maintenance, clean up.

Bungee Jump – Zip line to Island.

**B. HOUGHTON STREET PROJECT – SIDEWALKS, TREES**

This was tabled due to timeline of the meeting.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

We received an application for the Recreation Commission. The vacant Commissions seats will be advertised in the Herald next week and applications will be reviewed by the Village Council.

Lake Trout Classis will be put on the event signs soon.

Sue Kempen discussed upcoming events: Dance Class – Cane Court at 12:30 p.m. – April

May 10, 17 and 31 – Gardening at Cane Court

June 7, 14 and 21 – Fishing

U.P. Veteran Honoring will be at the end of June.

**ADJOURN:**

At 6:20 p.m. a motion was made by Miller, second by Bolo, (CARRIED) to adjourn.

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Marcia Aho-Black, Village Clerk

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Date approved