FORT CHARTER **TOWNSHIP** GRATIOT **PARKS** COMMISSION MEETING DRAFT **MINUTES** 6/17/2024-7:03_ P.M. AT 3720 KEEWAHDIN ROAD, FORT GRATIOT MI 48059 PAGE - 1 **MEMBERS PRESENT:** PETRICK, IRLAND, MONTGOMERY, NEESE MEMBERS ABSENT: **KEEFE ALSO** DAMIAN POLACK, TOM FRANCIS PRESENT: Neese____, seconded by _____Mongomery_____, to approve the Minutes of the REGULAR PARKS Motion by **COMMISSION** of 5/20/2024, (as printed and posted / with corrections). Vote, _____4/0_____. CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: * Attendees may speak for three minutes until everyone has had a chance to be heard. Tom Francis - Asked if we'd post progress updates on the Master Plan goals and objectives. He also mentioned that the trail around the nature preserve south of the county drain property has a very rough surface. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by ____Montgomery_____, seconded by _____Irland____, to approve the Agenda, (as printed and posted / with corrections). Vote, ____4/0__ **CORRESPONDENCE:** none **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Signs for Park Entrances (Pete Irland): Signs are being installed. Dog Park Lights (Michael Petrick): Working on a way to mount a light over kiosk. The others will be mounted to existing poles. Manoomin (Tanya Keefe): Can be planted early spring of 2025. Market Area (Michael Petrick): no update Bike Racks (Pete Irland & Connie Neese): Motion by Neese to purchase 12 stainless steel bike racks at a cost not to exceed \$3500 from Grenon Fabrications. Seconded by Petrick. Roll Call: Petrick: Yes Irland: Yes Mongomery: Yes Neese: Yes Keefe: absent Motion PASSES 4/0.

Trail Signs (Rob Montgomery): Motion by Montgomery to purchase metal signs from Thorpe and post sleeves and caps from Lowe's at a cost not to exceed \$3500. Seconded by Irland.

Roll Call: Petrick: yes Irland: Yes Mongomery: Yes Neese: yes Keefe: absent

Motion PASSES 4/0.

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Keewahdin Garden Signs (Connie Neese): Motion by Neese to purchase 2 - 16" x 18" metal signs from Thorpe and post sleeve and cap from Lowe's at a cost not to exceed \$200. Seconded by Petrick.

Roll Call:
Petrick: yes
Irland: yes
Mongomery: Yes
Neese: yes
Keefe: absent
Motion PASSES 4/0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Kayak & Game Kiosks (Rob Montgomery): Rent.Fun offers kayak and play equipment rental kiosks. Montgomery and Neese participated in a Zoom meeting with a Rent.Fun representative.

- · One-time, upfront activation fee
- Initial rental contract is for 5 years, continuing beyond that doesn't require additional cost to municipality
- Two 4-unit kayak stations are the same activation fee as an 8-unit but only if placed at the same time
- Rental agreement would need to be approved by Board of Trustees
- Revenue is split 50/50. Checks are issued once or twice a year
- Rent.Fun carries the liability insurance
- Damaged or missing equipment is replaced within 48 hours at no cost to user or municipality
- Rent.Fun is a Michigan based company
- Port Huron has a 4 kayak kiosk at the 7th St. Bridge
- Rent.Fun can send legal agreement to be looked over if we are interested

ADA Beach Mat (Connie Neese): Motion by Neese to purchase ADA accessible beach mats (1 - 16.5' and 1 - 33') at a cost not to exceed \$3000. Seconded by Montgomery.

Roll Call: Petrick: Yes Irland: No Mongomery: Yes Neese: Yes Keefe: absent

Motion PASSES, 3/1.

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Kayak roller is being used. Drinking fountains are in and came in under budget.							
Motion by _ Vote.		, seconded by ASSED. MEETING AD.		, to adjourn. Time, 8:35 o'clock p.1	m.		