

MEMBERS PRESENT: PETRICK, IRLAND, MONTGOMERY, NEESE

MEMBERS ABSENT: KEEFE

ALSO PRESENT: DAMIAN POLACK, TOM FRANCIS

Motion by ___Neese_____, seconded by ___Montgomery_____, to approve the Minutes of the REGULAR PARKS COMMISSION of 7/15/2024, (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: Bridge over drain is very rough, some boards are in bad shape

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by ___Montgomery_____, seconded by ___Ireland_____, to approve the Agenda, (~~as printed and posted / with corrections~~). Vote, ___4/0_____.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter from anonymous person with picture of mobi-mat at beach: “The blue path was used by everyone.”

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Signs for Park Entrances (Pete Ireland): All but 2 signs are up. Those need new posts.

Trail Signs (Rob Montgomery): The proofs were approved, printing should be finished by next week.

Dog Park Lights (Michael Petrick): One is installed, the other two should be installed by the end of next week.

Play Equipment (Tanya Keefe): No progress.

Market Area (Michael Petrick): Connie Neese visited markets in Muskegon and Montague, collecting ideas.

Bike Racks (Connie Neese & Pete Ireland): In process.

Kayak & Game Kiosks (Rob Montgomery): Not this year.

Keewahdin Beach (Connie Neese): Beach Garden signs have been received, still need to be installed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bench Donation Program (Connie Neese): We’ll be using 6’ engraved recycle material benches from Michigan based Polly Products.

Trees, Shrubs, Tree Cages and Supplies (Connie Neese): We’ll need cages to protect trees.

Pickleball pavilion shade: To have a blue steel roof shade 10’ x 60’ between the courts it would be about \$13,500.

Pickleball area water line: To run water line from the road to the pickleball area is approximately \$10,800.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

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- We need picnic tables, benches and trash cans near the pickleball courts.
- Parks Facebook page
- Citizen would like to donate a fountain

Motion by ____Neese_____, seconded by ____Irland_____, to adjourn. Time, 8:48 o'clock p.m.
Vote, ____4/0_____. **MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED.**