

MEMBERS PRESENT: PETRICK, IRLAND, MONTGOMERY, NEESE

MEMBERS ABSENT: KEEFE

ALSO PRESENT: DAMIAN POLACK, ABIGAIL MONTGOMERY, TOM FRANCIS, JOHN BOZICH

Motion by ___Neese___, seconded by ___Ireland___, to approve the Minutes of the REGULAR PARKS COMMISSION of 9/16/2024, (~~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 new trail will be paved.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by ___Neese___, seconded by ___Montgomery___, to approve the Agenda, (~~as printed and posted~~ / with corrections). Vote, ___4/0___.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Email dated 10/17/24 from Rob Crawford regarding possible trail name.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Trail Signs** (Rob Montgomery): New signs installed on posts with sleeves. Eleven addition posts were added.

Motion by Montgomery, seconded by Neese to purchase addition signs at a cost not to exceed \$2000.

Roll call vote: Petrick: yes, Ireland: yes, Montgomery: yes, Neese: yes, Keefe: absent

MOTION PASSES

2. **Bike Racks** (Connie Neese & Pete Ireland): Bike racks were delivered 10/14/24.
3. **Pavilion Tables** (Michael Petrick & Connie Neese): Frames are in, lumber will be purchased locally.
4. **Bench Donation Program** (Connie Neese): Nine benches ordered including one that is donated.
5. **Pickleball Area Water Line & Electric Conduit** (Rob Montgomery): Need a permit from EGLE to open dig across wetland.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Ice Rink:** Possibly place in Parker West
2. **Bridge:** Township is working on
3. **Budget:** Tabled
4. **Wildflower Association of Michigan membership** (Connie): \$70 for 2025

Motion by Neese, seconded by Petrick to spend \$70 for an annual membership to WAM.

Roll call vote: Petrick: yes, Ireland: yes, Montgomery: yes, Neese: yes, Keefe: absent

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BOARD DISCUSSION:

- Trail names
- Additional signs
- Next meeting date

Motion by ___Neese___, seconded by ___Montgomery___, to adjourn. Time, 8:00 o'clock p.m.
Vote, ___4/0___ **MOTION PASSED. MEETING ADJOURNED.**

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