

PARK & RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 12, 2016

Present; Atkinson, Hannan, Kingon, Kopkau, Payne, Weinzapfel

Also Present; Brett Pharo, Tom Cole, Bill Derman, Todd Vigland of Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy & Klaus Heinert of Gosling Czubak.

Absent; Wojtowicz

- Minutes of March 3, 2016 approved by Hannan, Second by Kingon.
- Vigland discussed Maplehurst Project Agreement with GTRLC.
- DNR Grant Agreement pending. Atkinson to receive draft grant agreement to be sent to Derman for review for board approval/resolution. 90 days to demo. Appraisal of property is reimbursable.
- Vigland stated that bid packages are prepared for demo/removal of buildings, excavation and various site improvements per DNR requirements to ready property for public use. Vigland also indicated current rent commitments on Bigelow property are through end of May 2016.
- Pharo asked Heinert about demo costs in the development grant. Heinert indicated \$25,000, has been allocated on the costs spreadsheet, but Vigland stated demo costs are included in the acquisition grant.
- Weinzapfel asked if we can sell 2 of the Bigelow buildings-Vigland stated yes, but do not sell/move them until **after** the final appraisal. Heinert noted timing of everything to be moved or for demolition.
- Payne asked if we can reach out to inquire status of development grant. Heinert indicated steps are happening now that indicate things are progressing with preliminary scores due August 2016 for an opportunity to increase our score in order to place higher in the probability of success.
- Heinert stated closing of Bigelow property must happen by October 4, 2016 to keep grant in play.
- Septic/well options discussed with further discussions pending.
- Heinert handed out cost summaries of development project.
- Uploading grant applications to Milton Township Website discussed.
- Derman confirmed that walkways can be installed on Earl & Sarasin properties, but Heinert stated that DNR funds may not want to pay if Township doesn't have site control. Heinert will follow up with DNR to confirm what we are able to do.
- Road Commission crosswalk discussed. Another meeting with Burt Thompson; Antrim County Road Commission is needed with future plans to invite Thompson, Karen Bargy & Glen Paradis to township board meeting to discuss publicly and seek commitments.
- Current boat ramp discussed. Heinert commented that the current condition is unknown with plans to review.
- Heinert indicated until parking is established across the road discussions are needed to consider temporary parking on lower level.
- Heinert presented preliminary development plans.
- Weinzapfel stated the rentals adjacent to the Beachfront Park; Florand Cottages are having issues of public using their dock and parking vehicles on their property. Weinzapfel confirmed that signs are needed and are currently being worked on. Atkinson requested that all complaints be forwarded to the Park & Rec. Committee as well as the Township Board.
- Heinert reviewed the TC Rotary grant obligation for the UA kayak/canoe launch. \$30,000 received from TC Rotary, \$30,000. From Township funds, must be installed 2016. 6 parking spots for temporary parking at lower level discussed.
- Heinert stated a mini design session needs to happen soon. Possible target after July 4th to get best pricing and past the busy season.
- Other grant possibilities discussed; Rich Hannan to follow-up with Community Foundation, Bob Kingon to follow-up with Tip of the Mitt. Atkinson to follow-up with Great Lakes Peoples Fund.

Pending Actions;

- Meet with Burt Thompson, Antrim County Road Commission to discuss crosswalk needs, with follow-up invite to Township Board meeting, also to include Karen Bargy and Glen Paradis.
- Weinzapfel to work on signage at Beachfront with Riegler
- Atkinson to post grant applications on Township website

Next Meeting; To be determined.

Minutes by Liz Atkinson