

PARK & RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

February 5, 2019

Present; Atkinson, Kingon, Kopkau, Weinzapfel,

Also present: Chris Garrock of Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy

- Color coded trail markers confirmed with Garrock, along with ATV should be able to navigate trails of 5-7 ft width noting over time trails narrow in width.
- Garrock noted after site visit to Maplehurst it was determined that current drive/parking area was best. Gas line drive was still being used and offered less high ground for parking.
- Hunting/fishing restrictions discussed. Kopkau to contact Andrea Albert, DNR Officer to schedule meeting with committee.
- Atkinson reported on price Bargy received for 8 foot deer fencing along adjacent property lines. \$3.50/ft @ 3500 ft. with 2 corners and 2 ends. Total cost approx. \$12,500.
- Atkinson asked about timing of trail around lake. Committee agreed on 2020 target using volunteers. Garrock suggested minor cleanup for 2019 to direct hikers around lake.
- Atkinson recommended bike racks at N. West Torch Lake Drive trailhead and main parking area. Kingon will follow up with cycling clubs for grant funding for racks.
- Garrock to complete draft management plan with tentative schedule;
 - Late February; Township Board to receive draft plan.
 - Monday, March 4th @ 10:00 am – Board/Committee review of draft with Garrock
 - Public input Meeting to be scheduled late March.
- Atkinson requested that board receives draft plan early enough for review prior to March 4th.
- Weinzapfel stated meeting must be published 15 days prior to public input meeting.
- Group discussions about the benefits of using Afton stone, but its price could be prohibitive.

To be scheduled;

Late March: Public input meeting

Next scheduled meetings;

Monday, March 4, 2019 @ 10:00 am; Board/Committee review of draft management plan with Garrock.

Monday, April 1, 2019 @ 9:00 am; Regular Park & Recreation Meeting.

Minutes by Liz Atkinson