



MINUTES

Newwaygo Community Recreation Authority Meeting

Newwaygo County, Michigan
July 9, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 am by Chair Jennifer Badgero. A teleconference meeting was held under the guidelines of Executive Order 2020-110 during the COVID-19 Virus.

Present: Jon Schneider (City of Newwaygo), Duane duChemin (Croton Twp), Erik Larsen (Garfield Twp), Jennifer Badgero (Brooks Township), Kim Goodin (Brooks Township), Greg Brooks (Garfield Twp), Jane Parsley (City of Newwaygo)

Absent: Morgan Heinzman (Croton Twp), Nick Smith (County Rep)

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Motion by Schneider, second by Larsen to approve meeting minutes from 05/14/2020. Roll Call: Yeas: Badgero, Goodin, Schneider, Brooks, Larsen, duChemin, Parsley Absent: Heinzman, Smith Nay: None. CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT

FINANCIALS

Motion by Badgero, second by Larsen to approve the current month financials and accounts payable. Roll Call: Yeas: Badgero, Goodin, Schneider, Brooks, Larsen, duChemin, Parsley Absent: Heinzman, Smith Nay: None. CARRIED Schneider stated that the budget looks good for end of the fiscal year.

RESERVED TIME

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Badgero, second by Larsen to approve the License Agreement with Newwaygo Youth Softball. Roll Call: Yeas: Badgero, Goodin, Schneider, Brooks, Larsen, duChemin, Parsley Absent: Heinzman, Smith Nay: None. CARRIED Tabatha Lathrop, representing Newwaygo Youth Softball, was on the teleconference and stated they would only be utilizing Centerline North. Newwaygo Youth Softball will pay for utilizing 1 field, pay a \$200 deposit fee that will be returned if fields are taken care of properly, and pay electric bill during term of agreement. Lathrop will send City copy of insurance and final schedule.

Motion by Badgero, second by Schneider to approve allowing an individual to move their reservation date at Graves Lodge from September 26, 2020 to September 25, 2021. They wanted to change dates due to COVID-19 Virus. Roll Call: Yeas: Badgero, Goodin, Schneider, Brooks, Larsen, duChemin, Parsley Absent: Heinzman, Smith Nay: None. CARRIED

duChemin stated that baseball fields look great and recommended holding off on aeration and seeding quote provided by TruGreen. duChemin will follow up with TruGreen.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion by Schneider, second by Badgero to approve quote from Racquet Sports in the amount of \$20,520 to move forward with resurfacing Henning Park Tennis/Pickleball Courts in the spring of 2021 and to continue looking at additional funding options. Roll Call: Yeas: Badgero, Goodin, Schneider, Brooks, Larsen, duChemin, Parsley Absent: Heinzman, Smith Nay: None. CARRIED Goodin discussed quotes from Newwaygo Pickleball Club relating to resurfacing courts, nets and fencing at Henning Park. She said that Newwaygo Pickleball Club has approximately \$3,000 that they are willing to utilize to help with court costs. Schneider stated that it may be possible to obtain additional funds from Newwaygo TIFA and their next meeting is on July 17th.

Board discussed Soccer Fields and Schneider stated that Grewes had ordered a few new replacement sprinkler heads that were cracked. Sprinkler controls were adjusted and currently sprinklers are running in different zones 19 out of 24 hours. The City had notified Soccer about a month ago that the grass was being cut to short and asked them to adjust the mower deck to 3.5".

Goodin stated that must go through complete process with DNR guidelines for Recreation Plan and that the guidelines may change slightly at the end of the year.

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BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Schneider stated that the City continues to work on funding for a potential pedestrian bridge. He said that permits were received from EGLE to build the bridge. Schneider gave an update on working with Newaygo County Parks Board on obtaining an easement for area in Henning Park. He said that City would like to extend Riverfront Park Trail approximately 2200 feet to the east and this trail extension would connect with the pedestrian bridge should that be built.

Motion by Badgero, second by Schneider to adjourn at 8:49 am. AIF/MC

Kim Goodin, Secretary