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**MEETING OF  
JUNE 5, 2014**

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE **REGULAR BOYNE CITY  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING HELD AT  
6:00 P.M. AT THE VETERANS PARK PAVILLION ON THURSDAY,  
JUNE 5, 2014.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Swift at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Jo Bowman, Bill Kuhn, Heath Meeder, Darryl Parish, Marie  
Sheets, Jerry Swift and Gail VanHorn

Absent: Mike Sheean

**MEETING  
ATTENDANCE**

City Staff: Streets/Parks & Recreation Superintendent Andy Kovolski  
and City Clerk / Treasurer Cindy Grice

Public Present: Two

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES \*\*MOTION**

**VanHorn moved, Parish seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, a  
motion approving the May 1, 2014 meeting minutes as presented.**

**CITIZENS COMMENTS**

Susan Palaski of the Health Department of NW Michigan presented  
information and a video regarding their support of tobacco free parks  
and beaches. There is a reported decrease in young people smoking  
when youths see less of it in public places. This is about signage and  
education, not an ordinance. They would provide signs at no cost.

Swift suggests this issue be put on the next parks and recreation  
meeting agenda.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Kovolski reported that all irrigation is on except the newly installed  
section. He was verbally advised we received the \$7,500 grant for way-  
finding signs, kiosks and Wi-Fi for Old City Park. The new bike racks  
will start to be installed beginning Friday, June 6.

VanHorn provided pictures of the lift station by the river mouth and  
asked if we could do something to beautify it. There is also a tree  
needing trimming in Sunset park.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

E-mail correspondence from Dan Powers regarding products used on our city park lawns was received and filed. Parish said anything we throw on lawns, especially near lakes, goes into the water system. Kovolski updated the board on what the City uses on park lawns for weed control and fertilizer.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Park Inspection Reports** - Sheets reported that smaller parks are in good to excellent condition. Some details have been improved upon. Old City Park looks great. Rotary park looks neat; however there are a few dead trees behind the stands that need to be removed. Kuhn said the ash trees at Avalanche are in rough shape and are dangerous to cut. Swift reported that Veteran’s park is in good shape considering all of the events and usage.

**Disc Golf**

Kovolski reported he will be asking the City Commission to approve the purchase of new disc golf baskets at their next meeting.

**Trail(s) Updates**

The first draft materials of the proposed Trail Town Master Plan were provided to the board for their review and future discussion.

**UNFINIHSED BUSINESS**

**Mountain Bike Trail at Avalanche**

Kovolski reported that some work has been on the Mountain Bike Trail. A recommendation to adjust trails will be given to him. Winter storm damage has been cleared.

**Tree Removals at face of Avalanche/Dead and/or downed tree removal from trails**

Kovolski reported the request for bids for tree removals is currently out. City Crews have been working on removing downed trees from the trails.

**Avalanche Signage**

Avalanche signage should be available by July 4.

**Dog Park Update**

Some excavating and tree cutting has been done. You can tell its happening. The committee is only \$2,500 short of their \$30,000 goal. There is a fundraiser at Café Santé on June 19 from 5-9 p.m.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Election of Officers  
\*\*MOTION**

**VanHorn moved, Bowman seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, a motion to re-elect the existing officers of the Parks & Recreation Commission.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Bill Kuhn announced that he will be resigning from the Parks and Recreation Board effective in September, 2014. He also discussed with the board, an opportunity to purchase a gas fireplace for the warming house for \$1,000. It is brand new and for sale by a local contractor. Labor to install, along with the cultured stone and a barn beam mantel will be donated.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board is scheduled for Thursday, June 17, 2014 at 6 pm at Rotary Park.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The June 5, 2014 meeting of the Parks and Recreation board was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

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Cindy Grice, Recording Secretary

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