



Approved:

**MEETING OF
August 4, 2016**

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR BOYNE CITY
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING HELD AT
6:00 P.M. AT CITY HALL ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 2016.**

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Chair Sheean at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mike Sheean, Jerry Swift, Jo Bowman, Patrick Patoka, Darryl Parish and Marie Sheets

Absent: Heath Meeder

**MEETING
ATTENDANCE**

City Staff: Streets/Parks & Recreation Superintendent Andy Kovolski
and Recording Secretary Barb Brooks

Public Present: Four (4)

****MOTION**

Sheets moved, Bowman seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY to excuse the absence of Heath Meeder.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES **MOTION**

Swift moved, Parish seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, a motion approving the June 2, 2016 meeting minutes as presented.

**CITIZENS COMMENTS
(on non-agenda items)**

Michelle Cortright provided an update on behalf of TOMMBA stating their crowd-funding goal was met and there are enough funds to start phase I of the mountain bike trail at Avalanche. Additional fund-raising activities are still being pursued for the remaining phases.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Kovolski reported that it has been a good summer other than a couple of mowers breaking down. Due to some retirements there have been a few changes in staff. Rivermouth bathrooms roof repair is currently out for bids.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

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

Park Inspection Reports -

- Swift visited each of the road ends and there are no changes since the last time.
- Sheets reported that there has been a lot of use in Old City Park and Veterans Park. She also expressed concern on behalf of the Friends of the Boyne River regarding the number of latex balloons in the river as a result of the water balloon fight that takes place during the raft race on the 4th of July causing pollution and litter. Members of the Friends of the Boyne River cleaned up the majority of it but wonder if there was a way to

- prevent it or have the event organizers assist in the cleanup.
 - **Disc Golf Update** – Will Hasseld from the Boyne Valley Disc Golf Club reported that they just had a successful tournament at Avalanche and plan to hold another in October as they have in the past. They have been working on general maintenance and have no plans to take on any major projects at this time.
 - **Trail(s) Update** (Board Chair Sheean) –Phase I of Boyne City Charlevoix Trail has been completed with the exception of signage. Boyne Valley Trail has grant applications submitted.
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UNFINIHSED BUSINESS

Riverside Park Improvements

After the June site visit, the general consensus of the board was there are some suggestions that could be fairly easy to implement.

M-Parks Grant Building Healthy Communities

Brooks reported that the City Commission reviewed the Parks and Recreation board's recommendation for grant eligible projects and like the improved trail from the 1910 Water Works building to Avalanche and a picnic area; signage was a lower priority. Brooks also reported on the two programs associated with the grants.

NEW BUSINESS

Board Member Vacancy

City Commissioner Hugh Conklin has expressed an interest in serving on the board. Chair Sheean thought Commissioner Conklin might have a conflict with the meeting date and/or time. Brooks indicated that Commissioner Conklin is aware of the meeting schedule and still expressed an interest. **Swift moved, Bowman seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY** to recommend the appointment of Commissioner Hugh Conklin to serve on the Parks and Recreation Board based on availability for meeting attendance.

**MOTION

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board is scheduled for Thursday, September 1, 2016 at 6 pm at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

The August 4, 2016 meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Barb Brooks, Recording Secretary