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**MEETING OF
OCTOBER 4, 2012**

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE **REGULAR BOYNE CITY
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING** HELD AT
6:00 P.M. AT BOYNE CITY CITY HALL ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4,
2012.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Chair Sheets at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Lou Awodey, Bill Kuhn, Heath Meeder, Mike Sheean, Marie
Sheets, Gail Van Horn and Carl Wehner

Absent: Jerry Swift (arrived 6:03 p.m.)

**MEETING
ATTENDANCE**

City Staff: Streets/Parks & Recreation Superintendent Andy Kovolski,
Recording Secretary Karen Seeley

Public Present: None

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES
MOTION**

Wehner moved, Awodey seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, a
motion to approve the September 6, 2012 meeting minutes as presented.

None

CITIZENS COMMENTS

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- City staff have been busy closing the parks for the winter
- We have a grub infestation; we will wait to address it in the spring.
- The work on Hannah and Park Streets is going good.
- There has been a path mowed at Riverside Park.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

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

Park Inspections

- Kuhn talked about the fish cleaning station; the fishermen have been cleaning it daily and feel a commercial grinder is needed.
- There was some vandalism at Rotary Park. Damage to the men's room and soccer fields. They have been caught.
- Friends of the Boyne River have secured financing for a Nature Walk behind the Industrial Park.

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS**

Boyne City/Charlevoix Rd. Trail Update

Nothing new to report

Boyne City to Boyne Falls Trail Update

Nothing new to report

**Avalanche Trail
Signage update**

The sub-committee of Kuhn, Swift and Sheets along with Erin Place of the Wood Shop met September 6 at Avalanche to look at the positioning of the signs. Place presented a rendering of the trail head and trail signs and also brought samples of two different types of sign. Board consensus to see a rendering and estimate of a three sided sign, and to complete the project all at once. Boards suggestion to have the trail head sign in the wood composite and the smaller signs in the metal with the vinyl letters. The sub-committee to meet again, have a definitive proposal for the November meeting and make a recommendation to the city commission as soon as possible.

**Avalanche Archery
target replacement**

Kuhn reported that the next opportunity for Mark Fruge' to purchase targets would be in May. He would like to give him permission to purchase 25 targets; and would like to have everything in order to due that before May. Board consensus to have Kuhn move forward with the process.

**Tree Removals at
Avalanche**

Kovolski reported the trees in the view corridor are scheduled for trimming next week.

NEW BUSINESS

**Proposed dog park and
location discussion**

Gail VanHorn reported that the sub-committee met and came up with two locations for a dog park. She shared their proposal (received and filed). Their first location choice is the property directly in back of the 1910 building. It is a large open area, surrounded by trees on two sides. The area is large enough for owners to let their pets have some freedom to run and play, and restrooms are available inside the building. Their second choice is in Avalanche park, north of the parking lot, which was previously the hockey rink area; however this would be in conflict of the Avalanche Park master plan. They estimate the cost to fence either choice to be around \$18,000, they feel this amount of money can be raised through grants and fund raisers. After board discussion of each site, **Wehner moved Sheean seconded PASSED UNANIMOUSLY** to recommend the City Commission approve the area directly in back of the 1910 building for a proposed dog park.

MOTION

Good of the Order

Sheets informed the board that her term will be expiring in December 2012, she is thinking of resigning either as the Chair or even as a board member.

VanHorn asked if there was anyway that the brick building at the riverfront could get a coat of paint on the door? Maybe add some shutters and rebuild the flower boxes. She also suggested a corner fence down by Sunset Park by the Chamber building to define the area.

Awodey suggested with the low water, drag a line along the beach area, the Boy Scouts removed a huge pile of wood. Kovolski explained that would have to be a permit able action from the Army Corps of Engineers and at this time its not.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board is scheduled for Thursday, November 1, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

**ADJOURNMENT
MOTION

The October 4 2012 meeting of the Parks and Recreation board was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Karen Seeley, Recording Secretary