

## **Alamo Township Parks Board Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday June 25, 2013

**Present:** Dick Bennett, Jack Landon, Stephen Podewell, Tim Britain, Dan Knight

**Absent:**

### **1. Called to Order**

Tim called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

### **2. Citizens' Comments**

Thanks were expressed to all who worked on the Car Show.

### **3. Adoption of April 2013 Minutes**

Stephen made a motion to adopt the minutes and Dick supported it. The motion passed.

### **4. Adoption of Agenda**

Stephen made a motion to adopt the agenda and Dick supported it. The motion passed.

### **5. Ranger Reports**

Dick:

- 20 hours
- On May 31<sup>st</sup> five children were caught throwing rocks into the trout structures by the main bridge. They were educated as to why we do not want the structure damaged. About twenty-five rocks were removed from the stream.
- Reinstalled a post pulled out of the west parking lot.
- Storm damage was assessed and caution tape was put on all trail entrances and exits. The Rector Trail is the worst. All trails are not passable with the 4-Wheeler except the SW quadrant.

Lee:

- 3 Patrols

### **6. Old Business**

#### **1. Baseball Camp**

There was nothing to report. Tim will follow up with the group.

#### **2. Car Show - Report**

Thanks were expressed to all. Especially to Tony and Newt for all of their efforts in putting the event together. Numbers were down a little from last year.

#### **3. Committees**

##### **1. Funding – Dick**

Expenses as of 5/28/2013

Electric \$321.85

Balance

\$7,778.15

Kalamazoo Foundation

\$73,041.14 as of 6/21/2013

##### **2. Activities/Programming – Stephen**

a) Art Contest

Stephen described the plan and discussion ensued. Stephen will bring an outline of the activity to the next meeting.

3. Planning – Tim

a) Barrier free access

Tim presented ideas and estimates. Dick will get a copy of the drawing to Paul Snow for review.

4. Projects – Jack

a) Gates

The gates were installed. Many thanks to Tim, Newt and Jack

b) New Bridge

Chain link fencing attached to the sides for safety

4. Connection to Kal Haven Trail

Jack suggested that we need three signs. Two would be located on the Kal-Haven Trail and would consist of the words “Alamo Township Park” along with an arrow. A third sign would be located at the east access gate to the Stoneburner Trail. This sign would have “Welcome to Alamo Township Park” on it.

5. Maintenance equipment for maintaining non-little league areas

1. Garden rake, Round nose shovel, Spade, Loppers

No progress was made. Dick will acquire the approved equipment next month

6. Trout Unlimited

Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM we will be removing the trees marked with yellow and orange tape. This is in preparation of the Trout Unlimited workday in July.

7. Additional Board Members – Who? – Nominees?

Tim will recommend again to the Township Board that the Parks Board have seven members.

8. Farmer’s Market Report

Dan gave a status report

**7. New Business**

1. Adopted Purchasing Policy

We will be required to supply vendors with a purchase order number

2. Tree damage and cleanup.

Only rangers are allowed on the trails until authorized by the Township Board.

3. Farmer’s Market Authority

Dan made a motion to recommend that the Township Board grant the Market Manager and Deputy Market Manager authority to enforce market and park rules during market hours. It was supported by Tim and passed.

**8. Citizens' Comments**

None

**9. Board Member Comments**

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None

**10. Adjourn**

Dan made a motion to adjourn and Dick supported it. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted Thursday, June 27, 2013

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jack M. Landon". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Jack M. Landon