

Alamo Township Parks Board
7901 North 6th Street
Kalamazoo, Michigan 49009
269.382.3366
Minutes

January 27th, 2015 – 6:00 PM

Present: Jim Endres, Richard Bennett, Stephen E. Podewell, Dan Knight, Rachel Piper

Absent: Dave Cramer

- I. Call to Order
 - A. 6:01
- II. Citizens' Comments – Agenda Items
 - A. None
- III. Adoption of January Minutes
 - A. Stephan motioned that the minutes be passed as is
 - B. Jim seconded the motion
 - C. The motion passed unanimously
- IV. Adoption of Agenda
 - A. Jim Motioned that the agenda be passed as is
 - B. Dick seconded the motion
 - C. the motion passed unanimously
- V. Supervisors' Report
 - A. Absent
- VI. Ranger Report
 - A. Dick
 - i. 3 Patrols
 - ii. All routine, very little use
 - B. Lee
 - i. 3 Patrols
 - ii. Nothing going on in the park
- VII. Old Business
 - A. Committees
 - i. Funding – Dick
 - a) Budget - \$11,600
 - b) Spent - \$8,043.29
 - c) Balance - \$3,556.71
 - d) Alamo park endowment fund - \$104,941.59
 - e) Grant funds available - \$8,698.52
 - f) Budget for 2015-2016 was approved
 - g) Many people brought up the fact of the endowment fund
 - h) We made sure to let them know that we will not be using that money until we can
 - B. Programming/Activities – Stephen
 - i. Nothing for now
 - C. Projects – Jim
 - i. 5th St Improvements – Project Committee
 - a) Get the wood for the bridge
 - b) Tony will get some people to help

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- c) Get blue prints or pictures to help with the bridge improvements
- d) Contact Tim for help
- e) Contact Kalamazoo for the blue print of the bridge when it was built
- f) Do the parking lot after the spring season because of the rainy season
- g) Plan the logistics for the bridge and the parking lot
- h) We need to get the stumps out near the parking lot
- ii. Relocate the dumpsters
 - a) Dick will contact Cooper and Prairie Ville to talk about the dumpsters
 - b) First recycle is in march
- iii. 4 big projects that we need to focus on this year
 - a) Moving the swing set
 - b) Trail for the runners
 - c) Trail for the skiers
 - d) Bridge improvements
 - e) Maybe set tentative dates for volunteers
 - f) We do need to be flexible
- iv. Trouts unlimited will be here may 9th
 - a) They will have demonstrations and lessons
 - b) Stephen will let the cub scouts and boy scouts know
- v. Maybe we will need to hire some people for these projects
- VIII. New Business
 - A. Aloha
 - i. She brought in a budget for the flowers in the park
 - ii. We will present it to the board next month
 - iii. The flowers can be claimed on their taxes
 - iv. Dick Motioned for the budget and plan passed as written
 - v. Dan seconded the motion
 - vi. Motion passed unanimously
- IX. Citizens' Comments - Non Agenda Items
 - A. None
 - X. Board Member Comments
 - A. Rachel
 - i. Land use contracts
 - ii. Do we need to write a contract or do we have one for the car show and the farmers market
 - iii. What events need one
 - iv. Rachel will research it in our own county and others
 - B. Dick
 - i. For next winter close the gates but keep the 5th st parking lot open
 - ii. Have the township do snow removal for the parking lot
 - iii. We need to be prepared to go to the board with the snow removal budget
 - iv. Next year we will put the snow removal in the budget as a line item
 - C. Dan
 - i. The trails should be done before the summer

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- XI. Adjourn
- A. Jim Motioned to Adjourn the meeting
- B. Rachel seconded the motion
- C. meeting was adjourned at 6:55pm