

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

Minutes

July 28, 2015 – 6:00 PM

Present: Rachel Piper, Dan Knight, Richard Bennett, Stephen E. Podwell

Absent: Jim Endres, Dave Cramer, Excused

I. Call to Order

A. 6:05 PM

II. Citizens' Comments – Agenda Items

A. None

III. Adoption of May Minutes

A. Dick motioned that we pass the May minutes as they are written

B. Steve 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

C. Passed as is

IV. Adoption of Agenda

A. Steve motioned that we pass the July agenda as it is written

B. Rachel 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

C. Passed as is

V. Ranger Report

A. Dick

i. Conducted 6 routine patrols

ii. Trail Maintenance 5 hrs

iii. Cleaned up after the storm and sprayed to control weeds

iv. Gave free trail rides at the farmers and crafters market

v. Noted – both trail signs need reworked

vi. Some memorial name plates damaged and pruned off the picnic tables

vii. big tree over trail west of 5<sup>th</sup> and south of kal-haven trail is passable

viii. 5<sup>th</sup> st bridge and parking lot project at a standstill

B. Lee

i. Is taking some personal time off

VI. Old Business

A. Committees

i. Funding – Dick

a) Report was asked for but township board treasurer did not give them

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- b) Alamo park endowment fund= \$118,609.82
- c) Funds available for grants = \$8,698.52
- B. Programming/Activities – Stephen
  - i. Nothing for tonight
  - ii. More plans next month
  - iii. We are still discussing the Halloween trail
- C. Projects – Jim
  - i. 5th St Improvements – stalemate for the project
- VII. New Business
  - A. Five year plan
    - i. Dick submitted a 5 year plan
    - ii. Tony is trying to get a grant for the park from the DNR
    - iii. The plan will be attached
    - iv. Steve motion with the removal of the recycle
- VIII. Citizens' Comments - Non Agenda Items
  - A. Don asked about the bridge
  - B. We explained why the bridge needs to be fixed
- IX. Board Members comments – Non Agenda Items
  - A. Dick is frustrated with the park board
    - i. We are a little dysfunctional right now
- X. Adjourn
  - A. Steve
  - B. Rachel
  - C. Adjourn @ 6:50 PM