

PARKS COMMISSION

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MEMBERS

*Chris Wittenbach, Karol "KZ" Bolton, Dan Bruggeman
Ralph Tillotson, Dawn Bales*

Minutes: Monday, March 21, 2022 – 11:00 a.m.

Attendees: Commissioners Wittenbach, Bolton, and Bales

Absent: Dan Bruggeman and Commissioner Tillotson

Others Present: Martin Marshall, Kim Murphy, Tim Mehan, and Rob VanNieuwenhze

I. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Bolton, seconded by Bales, to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2021 meeting. Motion carried.

II. Finance Report

There was no finance report available.

III. Parks Updates

Highlights of the parks were provided.

- A. Bicentennial: The Drain Commission brought in and spread millings on the driveway, and the split rail fence will need to be repaired.
- B. Iron Lake: The float platform will not be installed this year, but the dock will be installed once the weather warms up. Fred Staup will continue as the caretaker
- C. Gerber: The post/fence project will begin when frost allows. Carol West will continue as the caretaker
- D. Medina: There are some concerns about the water that is standing on the tennis courts. Tim will work with Jim Hazelman to find a resolution. A caretaker is needed for this park.
- E. Ramsdell: The storm damage to the pavilion have been repaired. The outhouse roof will need work done this year.
- F. Taylor: The kiosk has been completed.

The Parks agreements with the US Fish and Wildlife were reviewed.
Spring clean-up of the parks will begin as weather allows.

IV. Park Planning

There was discussion regarding the Parks Plan and the development of a grant submission plan to maximize funding opportunities for improvements. The Committee will review the Five Year Park's Plan at the next meeting.

V. Updates & Other Business

The next Parks Commission meeting is set for April 18, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

VI. Adjournment

Motion by Bolton, seconded by Bales, to adjourn the meeting at 12:17 p.m. Motion carried.

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Parks Commission Goals

- Further development of parks and activities
 - Potential projects volunteer group
 - Review Parks Plan
- Partnership with forest management (LISD or Lenawee Conservation, MSU Extension, Lenawee Farm Bureau, forestry group, others) -
Decrease dead wood, increase good production, tear out grape vine, clean out invasive & diseased vegetation/trees