

GRAND LEDGE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
CITY HALL, 310 GREENWOOD STREET
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SPECIAL MEETING, December 1, 2016
City Hall, Room B-106
7:00 PM

I. Call to Order – 7:00 PM

Roll Call – Chair David Smith, Vice-Chair Rachel Kuntzsch, Brody Boucher, Michael Doty, Chuck Mills, Raechel Marks, and Christine Richardson-Beagle

Absent – Ruthann Jaquette

Others Present – City Administrator Adam Smith, Public Service Director Larry LaHaie, City Council Member Rick Lantz, Bob Doty, Zoning Administrator Sue Stachowiak, and Grand Ledge City Planning Commissioners: Mayor Pro-Tem Keith Mulder, Todd Gute, William Kane, Eric Morris, Dave Rademacher, Steve Rivet, Matthew Salmon, Mike Stevens, Rodney VanDeCastele, and Paul Viles

II. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Commissioner Mills, seconded by Commissioner Doty. Motion carried.
Addendum to the Agenda: VII. a. add & Subsequent Action.

III. Approval of October 27, 2016 Minutes

Moved by Commissioner Mills, seconded by Commissioner Doty. Motion carried.

IV. Public Comment

None

V. Staff Reports

A. Revenue/Expense Report and Balance Sheet

Accepted and placed on file.

B. Island Park Step Installation Update

The handrail was installed. The project is complete.

C. Jaycee Boat Launch Construction Update

The project is complete. Unimproved parking lot will fit five (5) vehicles with trailers.

Another grant can be submitted for improving the parking lot and connecting the walkway at a later date.

D. East River Street Construction Update

The project is complete.

E. Oak Park Update

All adjoining neighbors (15) have received an aerial picture of the boundary lines and the signs were installed in the back yards of the connected neighbors to identify park's property.

A split rail fence will be installed to outline the easement property lines.

VI. Old Business

None

VII. New Business

A. Public Hearing for the Draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan & Subsequent Action

HEARING OPENED, 7:35 PM

Robert Doty, 635 Maple

Comment: Mr. Doty feels that our Master Plan is outstanding and very thorough. The boat launch is very, very well done; he feels that there needs to be the ability to get down the hill by connecting the trail. A handicap kayak/canoe launch next year would be great. (SUPPORT)

William Kane, 925 Morton Road

Comment: Mr. Kane also feels that our Master Plan an outstanding work of art, well done. He pointed out to us on page 15 to delete the one paragraph in regards to the Scout Building that is no longer in existence [Previously removed from draft.]. (SUPPORT)

He expressed his sorrow for the conclusion of the Joint Planning Committee.

HEARING CLOSED, 7:46 PM

MOTION

Motion to request the Grand Ledge City Council's approval of the 2017-2021 Grand Ledge Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

Motion made by Commissioner Doty, seconded by Commissioner Mills. Motion carried.

B. 2017 Parks and Recreation Meeting Calendar

MOTION

Motion to adopt the 2017 Grand Ledge Parks and Recreation's Meeting Calendar.

Motion made by Commissioner Kuntzsch, seconded by Commissioner Richardson-Beagle. Motion carried.

C. Public Comment

None.

D. Commission Comments

Resignations of Chairperson David Smith, Grand Ledge Public School Representative Brody Boucher, and Commissioner Matthew Dale.

E. Adjournment: 7:48 pm

Secretary, Christine Richardson-Beagle _____

Chair, David Smith _____