

**GRAND LEDGE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
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**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
January 26, 2017
City Hall, Council Chambers
7:00 PM**

I. Call to Order – 7:00 PM

Roll Call – Vice Chair Rachel Kuntzsch, Michael Doty, Ruthann Jaquette, Chuck Mills, Raechel Marks, Christine Richardson-Beagle, and Patrick McKennon

Absent – Brody Boucher and Rick Lantz

Others Present – City Administrator Adam Smith

II. Approval of Agenda

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

III. Approval of December 1, 2016 Minutes

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

IV. Public Comment

Mr. Don Keller, 201 Ledge Street, commented there are too many signs posted in Oak Park. He asked where and what the new bathroom will look like in Oak Park.

V. Staff Reports

A. Revenue/Expense Report and Balance Sheet - Received

Motion to receive reports and place on file made by Commissioner Mills, seconded by Commissioner Doty, Motion carried.

B. Jaycee Boat Launch Grant Update

Final documents for reimbursement submitted to MNRTF on January 24, 2017.

C. Oak Park Grant Update

Final documents for reimbursement submitted to MNRTF on January 23, 2017.

D. Parks & Recreation Website Update

The updated website represents Grand Ledge with user-friendly features and enhances communication utilizing an interactive map. It highlights the recent Parks and Recreation survey results, photos of parks and their amenities.

VI. Old Business

None.

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VII. New Business

A. Parks and Recreation Commission’s Appointment of Vacancies

B. Election of Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary

i. Chair: Rachel Kuntzsch

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

ii. Vice-Chair: Michael Doty

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

iii. Secretary: Christine Richardson-Beagle

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

C. List of Recreation Programs/Participants 2005-2016 - Received

2016 marked highest level of participation since programs were offered and tracked in 2005.

D. MNRTF Grant

Discussion. April 1, 2017 submission deadline.

MOTION

Motion to schedule a public meeting to be held February 23, 2017, 7:00 pm, at City Hall for public input on a MNRTF development grant for connecting the non-motorized trail, installing an ADA canoe/kayak launch, improved parking, and bank stabilization at Jaycee Park.

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

E. LEAP Art Grant

Discussion. February 28, 2017 submission deadline.

MOTION

Motion to support the submission of a LEAP Public Art for Communities grant application placing bicycle racks/artwork to support the trail systems within City parks.

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

VIII. Public Comment

None.

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IX. Commission Comments

Thank you to City Hall for creating a pristine Parks & Recreation website.

X. Adjournment: 7:42 pm

Secretary, Christine Richardson-Beagle _____

Chair, Rachel Kuntzsch _____

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