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**Waterford Parks and Recreation Board
Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Location: Hess-Hathaway Park, 825 S. Williams Lake Road

I. Meeting: Donna Kelley called meeting to order, 6:33pm

Members Present: Gordon Briggs, Donna Kelley, Matthew Lawton, Mark Monohon, Rob Petrusha, Jim Powers, Roman Wasylkevych, Kellianne Yarnall and Linda Zabik

Excused Members: None

Also Present: Alison Swanson, and Chrissy White

II. Receive and Approve Agenda: Motion made by Gordon Briggs to approve the agenda, support Linda Zabik. Motion approved.

III. Receive and Approve Minutes: Motion made by Linda Zabik to accept the April 11, 2023 minutes as printed, support Matthew Lawton. Motion approved.

IV. Reports

a) Director's Report: Alison Swanson

- i. Waiting to hear back from Oakland County regarding approval for grant for invasive species removal.
- ii. In the process of hiring five day camp counselors and six parks maintenance workers.
- iii. Tori, Joe and Candy have compiled lists with pictures for maintenance projects.
- iv. Second round of Hess-Hathaway caretaker interviews will be this week. Hopefully will have the new caretaker moved in by June 1.
- v. Two part-time clerical positions are available at the Rec Center.
- vi. We are partnering with the Senior Center by offering combined day trips. Hopefully this will increase registration.

b) Hess-Hathaway Park: Kellianne Yarnall

- i. Christ Lutheran Church donated a wooden donkey in remembrance of Milford.
- ii. Looking into getting a few new animals.
- iii. Pond project should be completed early summer.

c) Golden Age Club: Gordon Briggs

- i. Day trip to Holland, MI is full!
- ii. Card Party is Wednesday, May 17 at noon. Last year over 80 tickets were sold.
- iii. Sue Beseau is the new President and Tina James is the new Treasurer of the Golden Age Club.

d) Township Government: Mark Monohon

- i. Discussion regarding millage renewal.
- ii. Discussion regarding Spark Grant.
- iii. Thank you to everyone who helped with the River Walk Clean-up.

- e) **Waterford School District: Rob Petrusha**
 - i. Graduation is on June 4 at Oakland University.
 - ii. Discussion regarding Leggett/Senior Center.
- f) **Drayton Plains Nature Center: Linda Zabik**
 - i. Zepplin's 5K Run/Walk Saturday, June 24. Last year over 170 were registered.

VI. **Old Business**

- a.) Parks and Recreation Operating Millage – 2024 Ballot
 - i. The Parks and Recreation Board strongly recommends the Parks and Recreation operation millage is added to the August 2024 election ballot, motion made by Roman Wasylkevych, support Rob Petrusha. Motion approved.
- b.) Park Assignments
 - i. Discussion regarding park assignments. Matthew Lawton assigned to Drayton Plains Nature Center.

VII. **Roundtable**

- a. Greenways Committee looking into becoming a 501c3.
- b. Just Ducky Outdoor Art Exhibit – Ducks will be hung in trees along the Riverwalk.
- c. Discussion regarding Memorial Day Parade.

VIII. **Public Comments**

- a. No public comment.

- IX. Motion to adjourn, Gordon Briggs, support Jim Powers. Motion approved. Adjournment at 8:08pm.