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**Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Commission
MINUTES
Thursday, May 10, 2018
Commission Chambers, Second Floor, Governmental Center
400 Boardman Avenue, Traverse City, Michigan 49684
5 p.m. Meeting**

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Call to Order
Meeting called to order at 5 p.m.
- C. Roll Call
Commissioners Present: Pete Albers, David Grams*, Rod Kivell, Rodetta Harrand, Tom Mair, William Mouser, Whitney Waara, Shirley Zerafa, John Roth
Commissioners Excused: Steve Largent
Others Present: Kristine Erickson, Director, and Ryan Walsh, Office Manager, Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation; Derek Melville, City of Traverse City Parks and Recreation Superintendent; Matt Cowall and Mike Hornby, Friends of Easling Pool; Daniel LeCouteur, representing InTeliCare Health Services; George Ryan Holton of Grand Traverse Social Sports; Penny Morris, Owner of Crystal Bindi Studios; Ray Kolarik, Resident, James Christianson, Resident, Noah Norton and David Buoy, Central High School Students
- D. First Public Comment
There was no public comment.
- E. Approval of/Additions to Agenda
MOTION by Mair, second by Albers, to approve the agenda, with the addition of "Future of Parks" as Item 5 under Old Business. Motion carried.
- F. Special Orders of Business/Presentations
There were no special orders of business or presentations.
- G. Action on Consent Calendar
MOTION by Mair, second by Harrand, to receive and file the Consent Calendar, with the exception of Item 10. Motion carried.

Receive and File

1. Draft Minutes from April 5, 2018 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting
2. Draft Minutes from April 19, 2018 Parks and Recreation Commission Special Meeting Regarding Easling Pool
3. Approved Minutes from March 6, 2018 Business Development Team Meeting
4. Approved Minutes from April 3, 2018 Business Development Team Meeting

5. Approved Minutes from March 13, 2018 Future of Parks Ad Hoc Committee Meeting
6. Parks and Recreation-Senior Center Network Budget Report
7. March and April 2018 Conservation District Reports
8. TC Tritons Rowing at Medalie Park: Temporary Agreement
9. April 25, 2018 Letter from Cantrell Baird Regarding Civic Center Tree Removal
10. Feral Bee Research Boxes at Maple Bay Park and Natural Area
11. Signed RenoSys Proposal for Pool Liner and Flooring
12. May 4, 2018 Letter to DTE Energy Foundation for Easling Pool Grant Application

H. Items Removed from Consent Calendar

1. Item 10. Feral Bee Research Boxes at Maple Bay Park and Natural Area
Commissioner Waara asked questions related to the number of boxes being used at Maple Bay Park and Natural Area.
MOTION by Waara, second by Albers, to receive and file Item 10. Motion carried.

I. Parks and Recreation-Senior Center Report

Director reported about:

- Friends of Easling Pool reaching fundraising goal of \$625,000 for Easling Pool
- Phase II of fundraising to replumb and install flooring in locker rooms and other “extras” not thought possible when fundraising during Phase I with goal of \$125,000 by June 30, 2018
- Senior Center Network’s 90 Over 90 event
- Senior Spelling Bee
- Senior Odyssey Competition
- 2018 Senior Expo

J. Old Business

1. Draft Rental Agreement with Norte! for Civic Center Pugsley Building.
MOTION by Zerafa, second by Waara, to approve the rental agreement with Norte! for use of the Civic Center Pugsley building.
Roll Call Vote
Yeas: Albers, Grams, Kivell, Harrand, Mair, Mouser, Waara, Zerafa, Roth (9)
Nays: (0)
Absent: Steve Largent (1)
Motion passed, 9 to 0.
2. Continued Consideration of Naming Rights and Proposed Memorial Garden at Civic Center Park
Daniel LeCouteur spoke regarding the proposed memorial garden at the Civic Center.
MOTION by Albers, second by Zerafa, to proceed with moving forward with a Memorial Garden at Civic Center.
Roll Call Vote
Yeas: Albers, Grams, Kivell, Harrand, Mair, Mouser, Waara, Zerafa, Roth (9)
Nays: (0)
Absent: Steve Largent (1)
Motion passed, 9 to 0.
3. Crystal Bindi at Twin Lakes Park: Agreement Renewal Request

MOTION by Kivell, second by Harrand, to continue the Crystal Bindi contract as it stands.
Roll Call Vote
Yeas: Albers, Grams, Kivell, Harrand, Mair, Mouser, Waara, Zerafa, Roth (9)
Nays: (0)
Absent: Steve Largent (1)
Motion passed, 9 to 0.
4. Easling Pool Refurbishment Vendor Selections

Director provided an update about recommended vendors for Easling Pool refurbishment project and requested that board authorize use of funds to secure vendors for project.
MOTION by Albers, second by Grams, to authorize funds to order air handler for Easling pool.

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Albers, Grams, Kivell, Harrand, Mair, Mouser, Waara, Zerafa, Roth (9)

Nays: (0)

Absent: Steve Largent (1)

Motion passed, 9 to 0.

MOTION by Mouser, second by Grams, to accept Proposal from Painting by Paul for \$45,950 to paint natatorium.

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Albers, Grams, Kivell, Harrand, Mair, Mouser, Waara, Zerafa, Roth (9)

Nays: (0)

Absent: Steve Largent (1)

Motion passed, 9 to 0.

5. Future of Parks

President Roth informed the board about speaking at the next County Board of Commissioners meeting. He will give the board an update of the department's accomplishments over the last several years and advocate for continued support with a resolution.

Director provided details about presentation and read proposed resolution to be presented to Board of Commissioners.

MOTION by Zerafa, second by Grams, to approve proposed Resolution 02-2018. Motion carried.

K. New Business

1. Submission in Response to Request for Proposals for Concession Services at Civic Center Park
Director reported shared single response received for concession services at the Civic Center.

2. Draft Food Truck Permit and Pilot "Food Truck/Trailer in the Parks" Program

MOTION by Grams, second by Albers, to approve food truck application. Motion carried.

3. Request to Remove Remaining Fence at Civic Center Park

MOTION by Grams, second by Waara, to remove the remaining fence at the Civic Center, except by Oak Park school. Motion carried. Commissioner Mair opposed.

4. NER Advisory Board Appointment Recommendations

Director reported on appointment recommendations for Natural Education Reserve Advisory Board.

MOTION by Mouser, second by Grams, to approve the two applications for Jim Chrestensen and Jeri LeRoi, as presented. Motion carried.

L. Second Public Comment

Director read an e-mail to Commission from George Ryan Holton, who reported high participation numbers in Grand Traverse Social Sports spring leagues and asked that a request for proposals be issued for Easling Pool management.

M. Notices and Commissioner Comments

Director shared information about upcoming Open Meetings Act Class.

N. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.