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Senior Center Network makes longer lives, better lives.*

**Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting
Thursday, July 11, 2019, 5 p.m.
Commission Chambers, Second Floor, Governmental Center
400 Boardman Avenue, Traverse City, Michigan 49684
MINUTES**

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 5 p.m.

C. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: David Grams, Rob Hentschel, Rod Kivell, John Roth, Shirley Zerafa, Whitney Waara, William Mouser, Steve Largent, Rodetta Harrand

Others Present: Kristine Erickson, Director, Ryan Walsh, Office Manager, Katelynn Brown, Office Coordinator, Ariel Perreault, Office Specialist, Lori Wells, Senior Center Network Manager, Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation; Jalen Provo, County Resident and member of the Parks and Recreation Strategic Planning Committee; Nathan Alger, Grand Traverse County Administrator

D. First Public Comment

Jalen Provo spoke at public comment.

E. Approval of/Additions to Agenda

MOTION by Grams, second by Mouser, to approve the agenda, as presented.

F. Special Orders of Business/Presentations

There were no special orders of business or presentations.

G. Consent Calendar

Receive and File

1. Parks and Recreation-Senior Center Network Budget Report
2. Grand Traverse Conservation District's Monthly Report
3. Parks and Recreation-Senior Center Network Department Report
4. Signed Agreement for City-County Day Camp in Howe Arena

Approvals

1. Draft Minutes from June 13, 2019 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting
 2. Draft Minutes from June 25, 2019 Parks and Recreation Commission Special Meeting
- MOTION by Hentschel, second by Zerafa, to approve the consent calendar. Motion carried.

H. Items Removed from Consent Calendar

No items were removed from the Consent Calendar.

I. Reports

1. Parks and Recreation-Senior Center Report

The Director added to the department report.

Handout: [Civic Center Draft Survey](#)

Senior Center Manager added updates to the department report.

Office Manager reported on Parks and Recreation Commission meeting attendance and resources available to members and the public at each regular meeting. Office Manager told Commissioners there would be information provided during the next regular meeting about the ongoing Wi-Fi project at Twin Lakes Park.

2. Committee and Representative Reports

Commissioner Kivell reported about the recent Business Development Team meeting.

MOTION by Grams, second by Largent, to authorize Director to work with the design that Nate Elkins created and contract with an engineer about connecting walking path with sidewalk on Front Street, to make it ADA compliant, and to expend funds not to exceed \$4,999.

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Grams, Hentschel, Kivell, Largent, Mouser, Roth, Waara, Zerafa, Harrand

Nays: 0

Motion passed, 9 to 0.

Commissioner Zerafa reported about the recent Rules Committee meeting.

Commissioner Hentschel reported about recent Board of Commissioners meeting.

J. New Business

1. Parks Pass Program

Director presented a revenue-generating parks pass program option to Commissioners. Commissioners discussed the option and directed Director to instead provide information at a future meeting about how to develop a park "friends" program.

K. Old Business

1. Removal of Structure at Maple Bay Park and Natural Area

Handout: [Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Land Acquisition Project Agreement](#)

MOTION by Hentschel, second by Harrand, to direct staff to obtain a second opinion about moving the structure.

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Zerafa, Waara, Largent, Hentschel, Harrand

Nays: Roth, Mouser, Kivell, Grams,

Excused: 0

Motion passed, 5 to 4.

L. Second Public Comment

Commissioner Grams commented on Commissioner Hentschel's arrangement for County Commissioner Clous to attend a recent special meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting in his stead.

M. Notices and Commissioner Comments

There were no notices or commissioner comments.

N. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.