

## **Mecosta County Park Commission Commission Meeting**

The November 17, 2020 Commission Meeting of the Mecosta County Park Commission was called to order at the Mecosta County Services Building and via live video conference at 5:00 PM by the Commission Chairman, Mr. Stratton.

### **Roll Call**

**Members Present:** Mrs. Bradstrom, Ms. Miller, Mr. O’Neil, Mr. Perialas, Mr. Roels, Mr. Stanek, Mr. Stratton, Mr. Sweir and Mr. Vogel. **Members Absent:** Mr. Johnson. **Others Present:** Jeff Abel - Superintendent, Erin Bean - Operations Manager and Kathy Maclean - Administrative Clerk.

### **Approval of Agenda**

Hearing no objections, the agenda stands approved as presented.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Vogel motioned, seconded by Mr. Bradstrom to approve the minutes of the October 20<sup>th</sup> Park Commission meeting and the October 26<sup>th</sup> and November 9<sup>th</sup> Masterplan meetings as presented.  
Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** None.

### **Reports and Updates**

#### **Superintendent’s Updates**

The Superintendent updated the Commission on 18 current and completed projects, including:

**Paris Well** - Well contractor believes he has resolved the low pressure issues.

**Returnable Cans** - Cans from School Section were donated to the Boy Scouts and the remaining Brower Park cans were donated to Big Rapids Hockey.

**Brower Park Paving** - Re-paving of the entrance road and deep-water boat launch has been completed with the Mecosta County Road Commission filling and packing the soft shoulder edge of the asphalt.

**WPVRA Signs** - The Road Commission will be installing signs at the corners of Hoover and 205<sup>th</sup> and 205<sup>th</sup> and 22 Mile in the near future.

**Brower Electric Feed Line** - Consumers Energy has replaced a main feed line to Sunny Acres.

**Dragon Trail Updates** - The build season has been completed for the year. Fundraising efforts are in full swing as there is great need to raise an estimated \$230,000 of grant match funds within the next few months. Newaygo County has seen a significant increase in their weekly fee pipe revenue at the Hardy Pond Marina.

**Incident /Accident Report** - no reports.

## Correspondence

*Insurance Collection* - Incident and Accident reports sent to MMRMA.

*Workers Comp Refund* - The Parks will be refunded \$7,029 of the premiums paid.

## Committee Actions

### Masterplan

**Draft of 5-year Masterplan** - The 5-year masterplan draft is now in the 30-day public review period. A public notice has been published in the Pioneer Newspaper and parks social media noting the plan's availability for review on our website. A virtual Public Hearing is being scheduled for December 15<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the regularly scheduled monthly Park Commission meeting.

### Finance

**2021 Vehicle & Boat Stickers** - The Commissioners chose from the six options that were provided. Stickers will be ordered in the coming week.

**Ice Mountain Grant** - Mr. Vogel motioned, seconded by Mrs. Bradstrom to request the County accept the \$20,000 Grant on the Parks behalf. Motion carried.

**Life Ring Cabinets** - Mr. Stanek motioned, seconded by Mrs. Bradstrom to approve the purchase of 7 life ring cabinets and new life rings with cabinet alarms. Motion carried with a unanimous roll call vote.

### Building and Grounds

**Brower Re-Opening** - Brower Park has been re-opened for Day Use purposes; a fee pipe, signage and porta john have been installed. The campground areas have been blocked to vehicle traffic.

## Financial

**Financial Report - Revenue & Expenses, Cash Spreadsheet, Year-to-Year, Concessions** - Financial reports were reviewed and discussed.

**Approval of Bills** - Mr. Stanek motioned, seconded by Mr. Roels to approve the bills in the amounts of \$4,058.28, \$36,037.12, \$7,529.16 and \$14,760.70. Motion carried with a unanimous roll call vote.

**Public Comment:** None.

## Other Business:

**Next Scheduled Commission Meeting** Tuesday, December 15, at 5 PM at the County Services Building.

### Scheduled Committee Meetings

**Rules and Regulations** Tuesday, November 24, at 10 AM at the Administration Parks Building.

**Finance** Tuesday, November 24, at 11:30 AM at the Parks Administration Parks Building.

**Adjournment:** 5:45 PM