

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION
SCHEDULED MEETING
June 1, 2015**

PRESENT: Chairperson Lynn Knopf, Commissioner Rob Zoellmer, and Commissioner Mary Nagengast

ABSENT: Commissioner Steve Urban, and Commissioner Laura Shields

ALSO PRESENT: Township Liaison Terrie Hampel

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Knopf called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

WELCOME GUESTS

AGENDA: Motion by Mary Nagengast, second from Rob Zoellmer, **ADOPTED**, to accept the June 1, 2015 agenda.
Voice Vote: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT

MINUTES: Motion by Rob Zoellmer, second from Mary Nagengast, **ADOPTED**, to accept the May 4, 2015 regular meeting minutes.
Voice Vote: 3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT

PUBLIC COMMENT: Terrie Hampel of 6171 Duck Lake Road thanked the Commissioners for all of their hard work on this Commission and their work on the Parks and Rec Master Plan.

RECEIPTS: No receipts for May.

DISBURSEMENTS:

Chairperson Knopf reported disbursements activity as \$170.00 to Kerkstra's and \$24.50 to White Lake Nursery for total disbursements of \$194.50 for the month of May 2015.

Motion by Mary Nagengast, second from Rob Zoellmer, **ADOPTED**, to pay Kerkstra's \$170.00 and White Lake Nursery \$24.50 for total disbursements of \$194.50.

Roll Call Vote: Knopf-Aye, Nagengast-Aye, Zoellmer-Aye

At 7:11 p.m. Commissioner Steve Urban joined the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

2016-2017 Budget – Chairperson Knopf stated that it is never too early to start thinking and planning now for the budget next year. She would like everyone to make a list of projects to be included in the budget. She would like to see beach access from Nestrom Park via the side road down to the beach rather than the stairs we now have. She would also recommend that the tennis courts at Nestrom Park be resurfaced. She will take a look at all the grills in the parks and see how many need to be replaced.

Commissioner Urban would like to have the outfield of the baseball diamond at Nestrom Park redone.

OLD BUSINESS:

Master Plan – Chairperson Knopf noted a couple of housekeeping items on the Master Plan that need to be taken care of. She also stated that the Township Board will only give feedback on the Parks and Rec Master Plan once everything has been completed.

UPDATES:

Township Survey – The Commissioners reviewed questions to be placed on the survey for Township residents. Some changes were made to questions. Chairperson Knopf will make the suggested changes and send copies to all members. An announcement of the survey will be included with tax statements and Chairperson Knopf has the timeline to get that to the Treasurer. Commissioners will also contact the Beacon to have an article placed announcing the survey. Commissioners agreed to contract with Survey Monkey. The survey is scheduled to be live from July 1-26, 2015.

Township Forum – Commissioners agreed that results from a Township Forum will not be included in the Parks and Rec Master Plan. Reasoning behind this is the timeline needed to get the Master Plan to the Township Board.

To-do List for Parks – Chairperson Knopf stated she drove around to the parks and has a to-do list she will submit to Supervisor St.Amour.

Budget Change, port-a-jons – The budget approved by the Township Board included money for additional port-a-jons, however the Township Board approved only two port-a-jons at Nestrom Road Park. Next year this Commission will again try to bump up the number of port-a-jons.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

Commissioner Nagengast asked if the order could be placed for the benches and bike racks. Chairperson Knopf will check on this.

Commissioner Nagengast also asked why Fruitland Township is the only community not offering lunch for the Sports and Shorts program. Chairperson Knopf will contact the program to ask why and bring the answer back at the next meeting.

Commissioner Urban questioned why the Sports and Shorts Program does not need to sign waivers like the Little League is required to do.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Rob Zoellmer, second from Mary Nagengast, **ADOPTED** to adjourn the June 1, 2015 scheduled meeting of the Fruitland Township Parks and Recreation Commission at 8:54 PM.

Voice Vote: 4 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Thomasma, Recording Secretary