

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION
SCHEDULED MEETING
October 3, 2016**

PRESENT: Chairperson Lynn Knopf, Commissioner Rob Zoellmer, Commissioner Steve Urban, Commissioner Mary Nagengast, and Commissioner Mark Williamson

ABSENT:

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Knopf called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

WELCOME GUESTS One guest in attendance

AGENDA: Motion by Lynn Knopf, second from Mary Nagengast, **ADOPTED**, to accept the October 3, 2016 agenda.

Voice Vote: 5 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT

MINUTES: Motion by Steve Urban, second from Lynn Knopf, **ADOPTED**, to accept the September 6, 2016 regular meeting minutes.

Voice Vote: 5 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Terrie Hampel thanked all the Commissioners for their work on this Commission. She feels a lot has been accomplished this year.

She asked what happens if no one runs. Currently only Mark Williamson is on the ballot for the November election. That leaves four seats open. She encouraged the other Commissioners to file as write-ins on the ballot. She also asked for names of people they could recommend in case the Township Board ends up having to appoint people to serve.

She has two exchange students living with her this school year who need to do community service work. She offered their services for work in the parks.

She asked who joined NPS to look at Township property. Their next meeting is October 25th at 8:00 am to tour property and then at 10:00 am for the meeting.

RECEIPTS:

Chairperson Knopf reported receipts activity as Township Park pavilion rental, for total receipts of \$25.00 for the month of September 2016.

Motion by Lynn Knopf, second from Mary Nagengast, **ADOPTED**, to accept receipt for \$25.00 for the month of September 2016.

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

DISBURSEMENTS:

Chairperson Knopf reported disbursements activity as \$165.00 to Kerkstra, and \$75.83 to Lowe's for total disbursements of \$240.83 for the month of September 2016.

Motion by Mary Nagengast, second from Steve Urban, **ADOPTED**, to pay total disbursements of \$240.83.

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

OLD BUSINESS:**Items for 2017-2018 Budget –****Nestrom Road Park:**

Knopf reported on the pavilions at Nestrom Road Park - Pavilion roofs, paint inside. Contractor needed to look over pavilions and give summary of work needed. Add lighting to pavilion roofs. She states the two contractors she had come to look at the pavilions indicated they are in sound shape. She is still waiting to have them give her estimates for the work to be done.

Knopf - Stairs at Nestrom Road Park – fix stairs, especially large drop at bottom of steps. She is still waiting to receive a quote on the cost to improve.

Zoellmer - Far pavilion – add water fountain and spigot. Zoellmer is meeting with Scheid Plumbing tomorrow to look everything over and get a quote.

Knopf - Comment card stations around the park and trail markers. She will revise costs from last year and re-submit for this year.

Knopf - Move short fences at tennis courts to make handicapped accessible. Remove pipes sticking out of ground. She received a quote of \$490.00 to cut 5 feet off at either end of the fences. The contractor told her that the poles could be dug out by hand.

Fitness trail/fitness pavilion in park. – Williamson and Nagengast

Looked at two companies – Greenfield Fitness Company and Outdoor Fitness. May want to see if grants could be used to pay for some of the cost. Also look into having Spectrum Health or Mercy Health to sponsor part of the cost on new playground equipment.

Urban - Tree Trimming – Steve Urban noted that trees need to be trimmed by the pavilions, ball fields, and tennis courts. Mark Williamson will work on getting quotes.

Knopf – Tennis Courts – Knopf found out that the Community Foundation has no grants for the tennis courts. She will get quotes to have pickle ball lines painted on the other court.

Marcus Park:

Marcus Park – port-a-jon.

Knopf – Improve parking at Marcus Park. Knopf will meet with Nancy Cuncannan of the DEQ this week.

General:

Increase Maintenance Budget by \$500.00

NEW BUSINESS:

No New Business.

UPDATES:

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

Mary Nagengast – Thanked the Commissioners for all their work and wished them the best of luck in the future.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Lynn Knopf, second from Rob Zoellmer, ***ADOPTED*** to adjourn the October 3, 2016 scheduled meeting of the Fruitland Township Parks and Recreation Commission at 7:58 PM.

Voice Vote: 5 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Thomasma, Recording Secretary