

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION
SCHEDULED MEETING
August 3, 2022**

PRESENT: Commissioner Herb Huch, Commissioner Bob Murray and Commissioner Carlet Mitenbuler, Commissioner Lynn Knopf and Commissioner Mark Beegle.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: None.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Huch called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

WELCOME GUESTS

AGENDA: Motion by Bob Murray, second from Lynn Knopf, *ADOPTED*, to accept the August 3, 2022 agenda.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

MINUTES: Motion by Lynn Knopf, second from Bob Murray, *ADOPTED*, to accept the July 5, 2022 regular meeting minutes as written.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

RECEIPTS:

Chairman Huch reported receipts activity as pavilion rentals in the amount of \$90.00 for the month July 2022.

DISBURSEMENTS:

Chairperson Huch reported disbursements activity as \$350.00 to Kerkstra for portable restrooms, \$253.60 to Muskegon R&M Transport for the trailer for the pump house, \$140.96 to Redi Rental for a tiller, and \$195.91 to Shelby State Bank for scoreboard parts for total disbursements of \$940.47.

Motion by Bob Murray, second from Lynn Knopf, **ADOPTED**, to accept receipts in the amount of \$90.00 for pavilion rentals and to pay total disbursements in the amount of \$940.47.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

Roll Call Vote: Beegle-Aye, Knopf-Aye, Mitenbuler-Aye, Murray-Aye, Huch-Aye

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Projects update

Chairman Huch reported that the pumphouse has been completed. For the dugouts, he stated that the individual completing the work suggested using red for the roof. The commissioners agreed to go with the what was suggested. Chairman Huch also reported that the irrigation work has been completed, adding that it is a possibility to complete more work outside of the baseball field. Commissioner Murray said that his only concern would be future projects and the issue of having to cut lines and/or move them, and Chairman Huch stated it wouldn't be a problem. After much discussion, the commissioners agreed to continue the irrigation.

Motion by Bob Murray, second from Mark Beegle, **ADOPTED**, to continue irrigation outside of the baseball field in the amount of \$3,250.00 from American Pride Irrigation.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

Roll Call Vote: Beegle-Aye, Knopf-Aye, Mitenbuler-Aye, Murray-Aye, Huch-Aye

Chairman Huch mentioned sand volleyball, adding that he has a good lead for an outstanding price for sand, if not free.

2. Baseball field update

Already discussed.

3. Tennis courts

Commissioner Knopf stated that there are two poles down on the courts, adding that one is through the fence. She also added that there is some kind of mesh on the fencing that has been stretched. She added that it needs to be clamped into place. Chairman Huch stated that he would call Affordable Fencing to come out and fix the issues that need to be addressed. Commissioner Knopf added that she has made calls to a few different places regarding work on the courts, adding that she will be getting quotes. Commissioner Murray stated that he talked to a few different places, one being Racquet Sports out of Comstock Park. He added that the do repairs and complete installations. Commissioner Murray stated that he would like to get repair costs and full replacement costs. He added that he also found Action Floor. Commissioner Murray explained how they do things differently than other organizations that resurface the courts. He stated that the materials they use seal out any moisture penetration which makes a difference to cracks. The products would also even out the dips and uneven spots on the courts. He stated that the surface lasts ten years vs the other products that would need to be done every 3-5 years. Commissioner Murray stated that the product Action Floor uses is \$10 per square foot totaling about \$72,000.00 per court. He added that if the commissioners are interested in getting more information, he would have the individual come out. Commissioner Knopf stated that she thinks the Commission should look at every option. Chairman

Huch stated that he got a quote out of Montague for the courts. He added what the individuals would do to fix the courts. Chairman Huch stated that the total cost would be \$38,000.00 for both courts. Commissioner Knopf asked how long the crack would be guaranteed for, and Chairman Huch stated that cracks are always going to be an issue. Commissioner Knopf also questioned whether the quote Chairman Huch presented included evening out the dips or “bird baths” in the court. Commissioner Mitenbuler stated that she heard both acrylic and urethane for resurfacing the courts, adding that she wants to know the difference. Commissioner Murray stated that urethane is a more flexible and durable material. He added that the acrylic is much more reasonable but it will have to be 3-5 years. Commissioner Knopf stated that she is concerned there is no guarantee on the cracks. She added that the commissioners don’t need to decide tonight, but that the commissioners should gather as much information as possible. Commissioner Murray reminded the commissioners that there is money dedicated to the courts through ARPA funds, adding that they should look at every possible plan and then make the best decision for the Township. Chairman Huch stated that they need to receive a guarantee of some sort. He also added that the information he’s shared is from 1999, so he would have to see what the individual currently uses. Commissioner Murray stated that it would be a good idea to also receive quotes for an entirely separate pickleball court.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

COMMISSIONER’S COMMENTS:

Commissioner Beegle stated that he would like to see a bench system throughout the park with umbrellas in the future.

Commissioner Knopf stated that that the park looks really nice.

Chairman Huch agreed with Commissioner Knopf. He added that the commissioners are moving along well together.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Carlet Mitenbuler, second from Bob Murray, **ADOPTED** to adjourn the August 3, 2022 scheduled meeting of the Fruitland Township Parks and Recreation Commission at 6:49 PM.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Mansfield, Recording Secretary