

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP  
PARKS AND RECREATION  
SCHEDULED MEETING  
March 1, 2010**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Jim Duncan, Commissioners Laura Shields and Jeff Marcinkowski

**ABSENT:** Commissioners Roger Missimer and Steve Urban

**ALSO PRESENT:** Curator McDonnell, Supervisor St. Amour, Trustee Bard, Trustee Binns,  
and three (3) interested parties

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Duncan called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**AGENDA:** Motion by Laura Shields, second from Jeff Marcinkowski,  
*ADOPTED*, to accept the March 1, 2010 meeting agenda as  
written. **3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT**  
*Roll Call Vote: Shields-Aye, Duncan-Aye, Marcinkowski-Aye*

**MINUTES:** Motion by Jeff Marcinkowski, second from Laura Shields,  
*ADOPTED*, to accept the February 1, 2010 regular meeting  
minutes as submitted. **3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT**  
*Roll Call Vote: Shields-Aye, Duncan-Aye, Marcinkowski-Aye*

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Lee Holly, 6820 South Shore Drive – stated that he would like to make a donation of a historic framed photo. He explained the photo to the Commission and the audience. He stated that money is an issue and he suggested forming a group with other townships to help with budget issues.

Betsy Grein, 5780 Oak Tree Lane – urged the Commission to push for the continuation of the gift shop at the White River Light Station as a revenue producer.

**RECEIPTS:**

Secretary Ericka DeCair reported museum receipts activity as museum sales in the amount of \$44.97 and Township Park Pavilion Rental in the amount of \$30, for total receipts in the amount of \$74.97 for the month of February 2010.

Motion by Jeff Marcinkowski, second from Laura Shields,  
*ADOPTED*, to accept receipts in the amount of \$74.97 for the  
month of February 2010. **3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT**  
*Roll Call Vote: Shields-Aye, Duncan-Aye, Marcinkowski-Aye*

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

Motion by Laura Shields, second from Jeff Marcinkowski, **ADOPTED**, to pay Karen McDonnell (reimbursement) in the amount of \$30.35, National City (Radioshack) in the amount of \$35.98, Verizon in the amount of \$44.22, Karen McDonnell (March internet) in the amount of \$44.99, Harborfront (reimbursement) in the amount of \$77, Consumers Energy in the amount of \$101.23, DTE Energy in the amount of \$271.75, for a total disbursement of \$605.52 **3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT**  
**Roll Call Vote: Shields-Aye, Duncan-Aye, Marcinkowski-Aye**

**FEBRUARY MUSEUM REPORT:**

## 1. Museum Artifact Ownership and Inventory:

Chairman Duncan stated that Curator McDonnell has been giving the Commission a detailed weekly report. He asked Curator McDonnell if she had started on the inventory of the artifacts. She stated that she will begin after she finishes exhibits.

## 2. New Mailbox &amp; Phones:

Curator McDonnell stated that the new mailbox and the new phones are working great.

## 3. Other:

Curator McDonnell stated that she is working on an article for a magazine. She is also working on exhibits on the second floor and in the oil house. Chairman Duncan stated that Curator McDonnell wrote a nice article for the White Lake Association's spring newsletter.

**OLD BUSINESS:**1. Recreation Plan Public Hearing Reminder – *Monday, April 5, 2010 at 7 p.m.*

Chairman Duncan reminded the Commission and the audience about the Recreation Plan Public Hearing that will be held at the Monday, April 5, 2010 meeting at 7 p.m.

## 2. Marcus Park Update:

Chairman Duncan stated he and Commissioner Missimer have created an agreement with Marcus Dunes and Winterwood.

Bill Traynor, 6305 Sheltering Way – explained that he is working on a draft agreement and he is trying to get input from all parties. He stated that he will contact the Commission if something comes up and he thanked the Commission for their work on this situation.

## 3. 2010-2011 Budget:

Chairman Duncan stated that Commissioner Shields came up with some ideas for the budget. Commissioner Shields gave the Commissioners a copy of a spreadsheet of expenditures and utilities for a full year, half year, and weekends only at the Museum.

## 4. Other: None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

## 1. WASP Point of Sale Program Updates:

Commissioner Shields explained that the updates for this program are \$195 for each program and we currently have two programs. Commissioner Marcinkowski asked if the program would work without the updates. Commissioner Shields explained that yes it can. The Commission agreed that they can get by with out the program.

Motion by Jeff Marcinkowski, second from Jim Duncan,  
**ADOPTED**, to not purchase WASP updates at this time.

**3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT**

**Roll Call Vote: Shields-Aye, Duncan-Aye, Marcinkowski-Aye**

## 2. 2010-2011 Meeting Schedule:

Motion by Laura Shields, second from Jeff Marcinkowski,  
**ADOPTED**, to change the Monday, July 5, 2010 meeting to Tuesday, July 6, 2010 due to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday, and to change the Monday, September 6, 2010 meeting to Tuesday, September 7, 2010 due to the Labor Day holiday.

**3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT**

**Roll Call Vote: Shields-Aye, Duncan-Aye, Marcinkowski-Aye**

Motion by Jeff Marcinkowski, second from Laura Shields,  
**ADOPTED**, to accept the 2010-2011 meeting schedule with the changes to the July and September meeting dates.

**3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT**

**Roll Call Vote: Shields-Aye, Duncan-Aye, Marcinkowski-Aye**

## 3. Other: None

**COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS:**

Chairman Duncan stated that if anyone has any funding ideas for the White River Light Station, please submit them to the Commission.

Commissioner Marcinkowski asked how other lighthouses are funded. Betsy Grein explained that many of them are publicly funded or they are 501(c)(3)'s. She explained that it was purchased with the stipulation that it be kept open as a public park.

Lee Holly asked if the Commission had other recreation plans besides the lighthouse. Chairman Duncan suggested that Dr. Holly read a copy of the proposed Recreation Plan.

Commissioner Shields explained that it is great to have a curator at the lighthouse with knowledge and that change won't happen over night. She also suggested discussing the budget so that it can be sent to the Township Board for their work session.

Dr. Holly presented a historical photo to Curator McDonnell as a donation for the museum.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Laura Shields, second from Jeff Marcinkowski, ***ADOPTED*** to adjourn the March 1, 2010 scheduled meeting of the Fruitland Township Parks and Recreation Commission at 8:08 p.m. ***3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT***  
***Roll Call Vote: Shields-Aye, Duncan-Aye, Marcinkowski-Aye***

Respectfully submitted,

Ericka DeCair, Recording Secretary