

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION
SCHEDULED MEETING
November 5, 2012**

PRESENT: Chairperson Laura Shields, Commissioner Roger Missimer, Commissioner Jeff Marcinkowski, Commissioner Steve Urban and Commissioner Mary Nagengast

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: None

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Laura Shields called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

WELCOME GUESTS

AGENDA: Motion by Roger Missimer, second from Mary Nagengast, *ADOPTED*, to accept the November 5, 2012 meeting agenda as written.

4 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT

MINUTES: Motion by Mary Nagengast, second from Steve Urban, *ADOPTED*, to accept the October 1, 2012 regular meeting minutes as written.

4 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

RECEIPTS:

Chairperson Shields reported receipts activity as Township Park pavilion rental for \$15.00, for total receipts of \$15.00 for the month of October.

Motion by Roger Missimer, second from Steve Urban, *ADOPTED*, to accept receipts for \$15.00 for the month October 2012.

4 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT

Roll Call Vote: Missimer-Aye, Urban-Aye, Nagengast-Aye, Shields-Aye

DISBURSEMENTS:

Motion by Mary Nagengast, second from Roger Missimer, **ADOPTED**, to pay White Lake Nursery in the amount of \$35.90 for a replacement sprinkler at Nestrom Road Park and to pay Whitehall District Schools in the amount of \$1,585.24 for the summer Sports and Shorts program.

4 AYES, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT

Roll Call Vote: Nagengast-Aye, Urban-Aye, Missimer-Aye, Shields-Aye

Commissioner Jeff Marcinkowski arrived at 7:04p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:**1. Picnic Table Refurbishment**

Chairperson Shields reported that Supervisor Sam St. Amour had called her in regards to the Sports and Shorts program, and that the Parks and Recreation Commission had originally budgeted for a total of \$3,000.00 to fund the program. The program had come under budget by \$1,414.76, and the Township Board was looking for a project for Dan Andrews, head of maintenance, and that they were looking at having the picnic tables refurbished. The Township Board had reported to her that in order to do so, the money in the account for Sports and Shorts would have to be transferred from one account into another.

2. Budget Amendment/Motion

Commissioner Roger Missimer had stated that in the past when the Parks and Recreation Commission had questioned moving money for other projects, that they were told it was not allowed. Commissioner Steve Urban stated that Andrews was already being paid, and questioned why the funds from our account would have to go toward paying him.

In discussions regarding the transferring of money, Commissioner Urban stated that the Township Board had already budgeted for a part-time employee, and if they went over budget, questioned why they didn't stop the employment before it went over. Commissioner Nagengast asked whether or not the Township Board had charged the overage to the commission, and Chairperson Shields stated that yes, the commission was in fact already charged and had to pay for this overage. Chairperson Shields stated that she believes this transfer is just a way making things balance.

Commissioner Nagengast also stated that she didn't understand the logic in the Parks and Recreation Commission being asked to pay for part-time help that's already worked, and also being asked to pay for the full-time help to keep busy. She said it didn't seem as if things were being managed properly. Commissioner Urban stated that he understands them trying to find something for Andrews to do during the winter months, and that in order for this to be approved, the Parks and Recreation Commission has to approve the transfer of funds.

Commissioner Marcinkowski questioned the fact that when the commission has requested money and they have said no, it can't be moved, and now they want the commission to transfer money to keep the maintenance help busy. He stated that he's against doing so, but that in order to avoid a struggle of any type with the Township Board, that he will agree to do the transfer. Commissioner Nagengast agreed with him and stated that transferring of money is not something that was ever allowed before, and didn't understand how now it was okay. Commissioner Missimer stated that the individuals in charge of money make the rules, and they couldn't do much about the situation. Chairperson Shields agreed, but stated that the difference is the money is there for this transfer to happen. She also said that the Parks and Recreation

Commission had done a wonderful job moving forward to relieve friction, and that in order to avoid a large disagreement with the Township Board, she thinks it would be best to approve it. The commissioners also agreed with this, and agreed to pass the motion to avoid any further arguing or friction. They also agreed that this would set a precedence for the future.

Motion by Roger Missimer, second from Jeff Marcinkowski, **ADOPTED**, to recommend to the Board of Trustees to make the following budget amendments to Department 691 (Parks & Recreation Commission) for the 2nd Quarter 2012-13 Fiscal Year:

Increase account #101-000-667.000 (Township Park Pavilion Rental) \$75.00 for additional income received.

Re-allocate \$750.00 from account #101.691.801.002 (Contracting-Community Svcs) to account #101-691-930.000 (Repairs & Maintenance) for picnic table re-finishing.

Re-allocate \$664.76 from account #101-691-801.002 (Contracting – Community Svcs) to account #101-691-707.000 (Part Time Wages) for additional seasonal help needed due to lack of KPEC and Muskegon County Jail inmate labor available.

5 AYES, 0 NAYS

Roll Call Vote: Missimer-Aye, Marcinkowski-Aye, Urban-Aye, Nagengast-Aye, Shields-Aye

OLD BUSINESS:

None

UPDATES:

None

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by, second from Jeff Marcinkowski, second from Mary Nagengast, **ADOPTED** to adjourn the November 5, 2012 scheduled meeting of the Fruitland Township Parks and Recreation Commission at 7:08 p.m.

3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Mansfield, Recording Secretary