

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP  
PARKS AND RECREATION  
SCHEDULED MEETING  
June 3, 2024**

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Bob Murray, Commissioner Lynn Knopf and Commissioner Carlet Mitenbuler.

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Mark Beegle and Commissioner Ellie Rae VanTongeren.

**ALSO PRESENT:** None.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Murray called the meeting to order at 6:04p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**WELCOME GUESTS**

**AGENDA:** Motion by Lynn Knopf, second from Carlet Mitenbuler, *ADOPTED*, to accept the May 8, 2024 agenda as written.

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

**MINUTES:** Motion by Bob Murray, second from Lynn Knopf, *ADOPTED*, to accept the April 8, 2024 minutes with one change and the May 8, 2024 minutes as written.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

**RECEIPTS:**

Chairman Murray reported receipt activity as pavilion rentals in the amount of \$90.00 for the month of May, 2024.

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

Chairman Murray reported disbursements activity as \$875.00 to Kerkstra for portable restrooms, \$179.00 to Mosquito Joe of Muskegon for mosquito spray at Nestrom Road Park, \$924.32 to Scheid for fixing irrigation, and \$176.08 to TruGreen for fertilizer for total disbursements of \$2,154.40.

Motion by Bob Murray, second by Lynn Knopf, *ADOPTED*, to accept receipts in the amount of \$90.00 for pavilion rentals and to pay disbursements in the amount of \$250.00.

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

**Roll Call Vote: Knopf-Aye, Murray-Aye, Mitenburler-Aye**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**1. Programs committee update**

Commissioner Knopf contacted several companies that offer outdoor movies and got quotes from each. The commissioners discussed possible movies to play and potential dates for the event. Commissioner Knopf will be getting more information and will bring it to the July meeting.

**2. Baseball updates**

Chairman Murray said North Muskegon Youth Baseball has been great to work with and has been great with communication. He said that he isn't sure what happened with Sports Academy, adding that they never showed up to use the field. He also mentioned that North Muskegon High School baseball team has finished using the field.

**3. Catholic Heart Work Camp update**

Chairman Murray said that the group will be cleaning up and weeding around the Township Hall, placing the capping back on the fence of the baseball field, putting up the volleyball net, possibly putting up the soccer net, and cleaning up the limbs on the trails for the mulching. He added that they will be working June 17<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>.

**4. Marcus Park bike rack update**

Chairman Murray said that Commissioner Beegle removed the bike rack and reinstalled it. The portable restroom is now placed behind the signs as well.

**5. Tennis/pickleball updates**

Chairman Murray reported that the tennis courts, circle drive, and the parking lot were paved on Friday, adding that no painting can be done for three weeks. Grading was not completed while doing the circle drive, so Maintenance Supervisor Arron Ferris is doing the work. Fencing will be done on June 10<sup>th</sup>. The commissioners discussed colors for the tennis/pickleball courts, deciding on green, blue and dark blue. Chairman Murray said that instead of purchasing a paddle rack for the pickleball courts, he made one and presented it to the commissioners. He donated it to the Township.

Chairman Murray presented brochure box options to the commissioners, ultimately deciding that one with an automatic closing spring loaded lid.

Motion by Bob Murray, second from Lynn Knopf, **ADOPTED**, to purchase the Ultimate Brochure Box from Dee Signs for \$36.35 plus shipping and tax.

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

Motion by Bob Murray, second from Lynn Knopf, **ADOPTED**, to use leftover funds from the volleyball budget to pay for the brochure holder.

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

Chairman Murray stated that the rules and brochure look very nice and thanked Recording Secretary Mary Mansfield for creating them.

#### **6. Temporary roadway update**

Chairman Murray and Commissioner Beegle met to do a walk through along the south portion of the park. Chairman Murray said that a path of sorts is already in place, adding that using this as a temporary roadway now could lead to it becoming part of the trail system in the future.

#### **7. Trail mulching quotes**

Chairman Murray said that the work will likely be completed in July. He requested that a second day be added with the possibility of a third day, if needed. The commissioners discussed the idea and agreed that it would likely be necessary.

Motion by Bob Murray, second from Lynn Knopf, **ADOPTED**, to add a second day of trail mulching for the temporary roadway with the possibility of adding a third day. The funding will come from the tree maintenance budget.

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

#### **8. Volleyball update**

Chairman Murray stated that the net system arrived and reminded them that the Catholic Heart Work Camp will be installing it.

#### **9. Pavilion lighting quotes**

Chairman Murray shared quotes with the commissioners received from Korthase and Sons Company for \$4,100.00, White River Electric for \$3,878.43 and Spence Electric for \$2,150.00. The commissioners discussed the different quotes and agreed to go with Spence Electric.

Motion by Bob Murray, second by Lynn Knopf, **ADOPTED**, to accept the bid from Spence Electric in the amount of \$2,150.00.

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

#### **10. Restroom update**

Chairman Murray informed the commissioners that the Township Board is requiring them to get three quotes for the drawings of the restrooms. He added that he hopes to receive more quotes soon so the project can happen.

#### **11. Kayak launch update**

Chairman Murray brought the concerns of the Commission to the Township Board regarding adding more amenities to the park with the parking issue. This, in turn, caused the Township Board to table the discussions on the topic. Chairman Murray also added that Supervisor Jeff Marcinkowski found two Mobi-Mats in the basement, and the commissioners discussed the idea of possibly using them in the future.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

#### **COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Knopf thanked Chairman Murray for all of his hard work.

Chairman Murray stated that he really likes the idea of the movie night in the park.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Bob Murray, second from Lynn Knopf, ***ADOPTED*** to adjourn the June 3, 2024 scheduled meeting of the Fruitland Township Parks and Recreation Commission at 7:36 PM.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Mansfield, Recording Secretary