

MINUTES
Newaygo Community Recreation Authority
Newaygo County, Michigan
July 9, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 AM at the Welcome Center, located at 4684 Evergreen Dr., Newaygo, MI 49337 by Chairperson Jennifer Badgero.

Present: Jon Schneider (City of Newaygo), Jennifer Badgero (Brooks Twp), Erik Larsen (Garfield Twp), Jane Parsley (City of Newaygo), Duane duChemin (Croton Twp), Kim Goodin (Brooks Twp), Morgan Heinzman (Croton Twp), Ron Welton (County Park's Dept.)

Absent: Nancy Kinniburgh (Garfield Twp)

Guests: Matt and Heather Briggs, AYSO Representatives/Regional Coordinators

MINUTES

Motion by Parsley, support by Larsen to approve meeting minutes from 06/11/15. AIF/MC

FINANCIALS

Motion by Badgero, support by Heinzman to approve the current month financials and accounts payable. AIF/MC Schneider noted there are two sets of financials; one for fiscal year ending 06/30/15 and one showing the spending thus far in the new fiscal year. Ended 2014-15 fiscal year with a positive; revenue better than expected and expenses were under budget. The soccer people (Briggs) handed a check over for \$1,500, meeting their budgeted revenue for the 2014-15 year. The invoices to all the participating entities for the new fiscal year have been sent out and insurance has been paid.

OLD BUSINESS

Schneider stated that the well is online and has been for over a month now. Mellema has fertilized and put down spray for the weeds. Heinzman stated that he is unable to help with the compost until fall due to his schedule and the schedule of Max Carlson who has some of the equipment. The Briggs stated that the soccer organization is trying to keep the fields mowed but is hard when all you have is volunteers; they did state that they noticed a lot of seed left in the building. The board told them to go ahead and just put that seed in some of the patchy areas on the field and see if it does anything. The Briggs felt the fields need more water and seed and asked about playing on the upper field. Schneider will call Mellema regarding seeding the fields and to see what he thinks about playing on the upper/top field in the fall. Heinzman stated that Timberland is ready to take the old mower and trade in for the new 72" mower anytime. Heinzman stated the mowers get serviced every spring and fall.

duChemin asked if the board had a vendor of choice for electric jobs; NCRA does not. He is looking to get electric service to the "concession building" to be able to use it for possible concessions down the road and just to have electric services available when needs arise. He noted that the baseball organization has been trying to be conservative with the watering and overall was a good season. Will look at winterizing down the road.

Welton stated that he currently is utilizing juvenile probation kids to scrub the tennis courts and get the mold and mildew off and it is working well. Once cleaned off the courts will be ready for re-surfacing. Goodin stated that the later the better as far as the Pickle Ball people are concerned.

Lots of discussion by the board on the recreation plan. Heinzman feels the board can take on the public notices/survey's, etc. that need to be done without paying LIAA to do it. Discussed sending survey's out with December tax bills or doing an online survey. Goodin volunteered to look up what the guidelines are for approval of the rec plan and will do a brief outline of the steps involved and bring to the next meeting.

Badgero stated that she will eventually get back to the trail; no new updates. Schneider mentioned that he talked to Graphicus about possible putting some signage at the beginning of the trailheads but hasn't received any information or quotes at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Motion by Badgero, support by Schneider to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 9:09 am.

Kim Biegalle, Secretary