

MINUTES
Newaygo Community Recreation Authority
Newaygo County, Michigan
October 8, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 AM at the Welcome Center, located at 4684 Evergreen Dr., Newaygo, MI 49337 by Chairperson Jennifer Badgero.

Present: Jon Schneider (City of Newaygo), Erik Larsen (Garfield Twp), Duane duChemin (Croton Twp), Jane Parsley (City of Newaygo), Jennifer Badgero (Brooks Twp), Kim Goodin (Brooks Twp)

Absent: Morgan Heinzman (Croton Twp), Ron Welton (County Park's Dept.), Nancy Kinniburgh (Garfield Twp)

MINUTES

Motion by Larsen, support by Goodin to approve meeting minutes from 09/10/15. AIF/MC

FINANCIALS

Motion by Badgero, support by Larsen to approve the current month financials and accounts payable. AIF/MC
Schneider stated that the one really large expense was the tennis court resurfacing at over \$11,000. He stated that the budget looks high right now but as we go into winter expenses should go down until spring. Goodin stated, on behalf of Heinzman, that the lawn mower was in and will be delivered in the next week.

OLD BUSINESS

Schneider mentioned the e-mail from the soccer organization in response to a number of sprinkler heads that were shaved off from a lawn mower. The sprinkler heads are not retracting due to sand in the lines in which the well contractor is currently looking at/working on as well as the sprinkler contractor (Grewe's). Schneider noted that the valves are also being cracked due in part to the force of the water being jolted through the lines when the well kicks on. Schneider discussed a couple options to alleviate the problem. One was to install a VFD which allows a slow ramp up when the well turns on and then slowly turns off; eliminates the initial jolt of the system. This is a cost of approximately \$5,000. Schneider also mentioned a sand separator to help keep the sand out of the system at an approximate cost of \$1,500. He will wait to hear what the contractors come up with and bring recommendations to the next NCRA meeting. The water at the soccer field is very high in iron. The sprinklers are currently off at the soccer field and Grewe's will be winterizing the baseball fields and other City sprinklers very soon as well.

duChemin and Brad Biegalle discussed the valves at the baseball field and decided to remove them for the winter and duChemin will put them in his basement.

Kim Goodin handed out a questionnaire she found from when the NCRA was transforming from Partnership for Change. Goodin has called and left a message with the DNR to get some clarification on the requirements for renewing the Rec Plan. After she hears back from them she will put together a timeline of what needs to take place and hand it out next month.

Regarding the Marshall Memorial Park trail way; Larsen mentioned that Jane Boddy from his church has pictures and she will find some. The board will wait until the next meeting to see if Welton got in contact with Deb Ditlow about helping out on this project.

NEW BUSINESS

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Larsen asked if there have been any issues/problems at the skate park; the answer is no there has not been any with the exception of ongoing litter and yearly maintenance.

Badgero mentioned trying to put together a "Color Run" with the middle school running club for next June; possible 200 participants; she will work with the City on the details.

Biegalle reminded all board members their terms expire as of 12/31/15 and they need to be re-appointed or appoint new members.

Motion by Larsen, support by Parsley to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 am.

Kim Biegalle, Secretary

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