PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

**REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2018**

# City Hall Council Chambers

301 W. Main St. Owosso, MI 48867

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Espich called the meeting to order at 7: 00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Was recited.

**ROLL CALL:** Was taken by Deputy City Clerk Roxane Cramer.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman Espich**,** Vice-Chair Jeff Selbig, Commissioners Jerry Hebekeuser, Rick Morris, Nick Seabasty, Randy Woodworth and Andrew Workman.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**OTHERS PRESENT:**  Main Street/DDA Manager, Josh Adams

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA: COMMISSIONER WOODWORTH MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR JULY 25, 2018 AS AMENDED.**

**MOTION SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER HEBEKUSER.**

**AYES ALL, MOTION CARRIED.**

**CHANGES: ADD ITEM ICE RINK PREP AND WARMING HUT AT GROVE HOLMAN AND REMOVE RAIL TRAIL AND PICKLE BALL COURT.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: COMMISSIONER WOODWORTH MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM JUNE 27, 2018 AS AMENDED.**

**MOTION SUPPORTED BY VICE-CHAIR SELBIG.**

**AYES ALL, MOTION CARRIED.**

**CHANGES: PER CHAIRMAN ESPICH ADD TO THE LAST LINE OF THE MINUTES- AS THIS HAS BEEN DISCUSSED IN THE PAST.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

None.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None.

**BUSINESS:**

**Introduction of New Commissioner**

Vice-Chair Selbig introduced the new commissioner, Andrew Workman. He had asked Commissioner Workman and he said he would be interested in serving as a commissioner.

Commissioner Workman did share that since moving back to Owosso he wants to get involved and give back.

Commissioners welcomed him and thanked him.

**Park and Recreation Millage – Update/Wording Status**

Josh Adams reported that the mayor working with council to put it on the ballot.

Commissioner Woodworth suggested some Parks and Recreation Commissioners go to the council meeting to speak with council.

Chairman Espich asked the members if they 1 mill was too much. Commissioners agreed that 1 mill isn’t too much.

Commissioners then discussed how best the money would be spent.

**Skate Park Update**

Commissioner Woodworth reported on information from Pillar. Commissioners discussed that information. They also discussed in-kind donations.

Commissioner Woodworth suggested everyone, including himself, on the commission to find in-kind donations that Pillar had listed.

Commissioners Woodworth stated the need to know the following:

*How the in- kind donation numbers equate back? and*

*How much time commissioners have for a response on all the in-kind donations listed for Pillar to build in October?*

Mr. Adams reported on the soil borings. The final report should come on July 31st.

Mr. Adams reported that the total budget is 106,420.17.

There was a discussion between commissioners on if there should be a bowl or a flat surface.

Mr. Adams asked Commissioner Seabasty if he could contact the local kids and do a survey to ask if they want a bowl. Commissioner Seabasty reported out west they have mostly street plazas.

Commissioners thought a survey would be a good idea.

**Disc Golf – Update**

Chairman Espich reported it is built but some holes don’t have a basket and there aren’t any pads. He also stated that there was an agreement between former city manager; Don Crawford had approved the DPW to work on the course.

Mr. Adams stated he would get with City Manager Henne and DPW superintendent, Mark Mitchell to see if there were conversations between former City manager Crawford and them regarding it.

**Stocking of Hopkins Lake**

Chairman Espich asked Mr. Adams if he could check with the DNR and see if a permit is needed to restock Hopkins Lake. Mr. Adams agreed he would check on it.

**Ice Rink Prep and warming hut.**

Chairman Espich asked Josh Adams to check with DPW Superintendent, Mark Mitchell on reactivating the Holman Pool Building for a warming hut.

Commissioner Woodworth thought they could seek a grant to make it ADA compliant.

Chairman Espich stated the rink itself is designed to go on grass so it shouldn’t be a problem to locate it at Grove Holman.

**Date and time and meetings next month**

Commissioners agreed to meet on August 22, 2018 at 7 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS / COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Commissioner Woodworth thanked Commissioner Workman for volunteering to the board.

**VICE-CHAIR SELBIG MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 7:53 P.M.**

**MOTION SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER WOODWORTH.**

**ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED.**