PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

**REGULAR MEETING**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2016 – 7:30 p.m.**

# City Hall Council Chambers

301 W. Main St. Owosso, MI 48867

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Espich called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Was recited.

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman Mike Espich, Vice Chair Jeff Selbig (arrived at 7:33 p.m.), Commissioner Shane Nelson, Kristen Woodbury,

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Susan Montenegro, Assistant City Manager/Director of Community Development.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA: COMMISSIONER WOODWORTH MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 27, 2016, SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER NELSON.**

**AYES ALL, MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: COMMISSIONER NELSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF AUGUST 23, 2016, SUPPORTED BY VICE CHAIR SELBIG.**

**AYES ALL, MOTION CARRIED**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Staff memorandum
2. Plunge balance memorandum
3. Minutes from August 23, 2016.
4. Disc Golf Map.
5. Norm Campbell’s property map.

**BUSINESS:**

**Disc Golf update**

Chairman Espich reported that they are cleared through “Hole Number 4”.

Ms. Montenegro stated that Tyler Leppanen and Mark Sedlak met with Norm Campbell and pointed out where the property lines are located. Chairman Espich asked that Tim Law be contacted with any problems he has taken the lead on the project.

**Skate Park Update**

Commissioners discussed the master plan relating to applying for the grant for the skate park.

The commission feels they must reengage the public in the skate park again. Commissioners discussed the reasons some people may not want the skate park at Grove Holman Park. Commissioner agreed they should send the work to construct a new skate park out for bids.

Commissioner Woodworth shared that he thought the cost would depend on the location of the skate park.

Commissioner Woodworth wants to make certain they don’t miss another opportunity for applying for the grant. He said he would like to get the location set.

**COMMISSIONER WOODWORTH MADE A MOTION SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR SELBIG TO SEND THE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL THAT GROVE HOLMAN PARK BE APPROVED FOR THE FUTURE SITE OF THE SKATE PARK.**

**ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

**Discussion of Updating Parks & Recreation Master Plan.**

Ms. Montenegro reported that she has been approached by the Boy Scouts in the past to do something with the parks. She thought it would be a good idea to partner with a service organization for updating the parks.

Vice Chair Selbig suggested discussing Bennett, Memorial (Adams Park), and add Grove Holman Park at the next regular meeting.

Ms. Montenegro suggested driving by the parks and taking pictures, videos and asking children by sending information home with school children.

Chairman Espich suggested he assign each park to a meeting. Commissioners come up with the following schedule.

**Discussion at October meeting**

Grand Avenue

Bennett,

Memorial (Adams Park)

Grove Holman

**Discussion at November meeting**

Bentley Park

Hugh Parker

Harmon Patridge

Fayette Square

**Discussion at December meeting**

Rosavere

Rudy Demuth

Collamer

Curwood Castle Park

James Miner River Walkway

Ms. Montenegro explained the length of the process for updating the Master Plan to the commissioners. Vice-Chair Selbig asked for a time line on paper at the next meeting he also encouraged the commission to read the master plan before they visit the parks.

**DISCUSSION:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT: COMMISSIONER WOODWORTH MADE THE MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 8:37 P.M., SUPPORTED BY VICE-CHARI SELBIG.**

 **AYES ALL, MOTION CARRIED.**