PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

**REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2018**

# City Hall Conference Room

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 Nell Anne Hebekeuser, Jerry Hebekeuser.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Commissioners Rick Morris, Nick Seabasty and Randy Woodworth

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Main Street Manager Josh Adams

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA: COMMISSIONER JERRY HEBEKEUSER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR MAY 23, 2018 AS PRESENTED.**

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

**AYES ALL, MOTION CARRIED.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: COMMISSIONER J HEBEKEUSER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM APRIL 25, 2018.**

**MOTION SUPPORTED BY NELL ANNE HEBEKUSER.**

**AYES ALL, MOTION CARRIED.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:**

None.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None.

**BUSINESS:**

**Annual Spring Parks Cleanup – update**

Chairman Espich reported that he and his wife walked through the parks and decided to cancel the cleanup due to all the rain received.

Vice-Chair Selbig suggested being more pro-active and set the date earlier in the year.

Commissioners discussed setting the date for Arbor Day.

**Community Gardens – Update**

No updates.

**Rail Trail**

No Updates.

**Skate Park Update**

Chairman Espich stated the he has spoken to Ebrahim Varachia, Patron city Mentor/Coach, today and he said the paper work had been in on May 2nd and thought they would have already heard from them.

Josh Adams reported that city manager; Nathan Henne had texted him and said they were moving forward with the design contract with Pillar and construction will come when they receive the MEDC funds.

Commissioners discussed possible design issues. They also discussed the possibility of signs to give credit for donations or different ideas to indicate those donations.

**Adams Park Request**

City manager’s emailed that the update it to Adam’s Park was to put ballards up to stop cars from driving back into the park.

Commissioners also had a discussion on Pickle Ball.

**Date and time and meetings next year**

Commissioners agreed to meet on June 27, 2018 at 7 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS / COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Chairman Espich stated that commissioners Jerry Hebekeuser, Nell Anne Hebekeuser and Rick Morris stated that they came on the commission as a favor for the commission to be able to have a quorum at meetings and asked Josh Adams to let the Mayor know to appoint some other people.

Commissioner Jerry Hebekeuser stated he would take Commissioner Nell Anne Hebekeuser appointment so she could step down.

Commissioners discussed the bark park.

Chairman Espich reported that he went out to check on the disc golf course and said the course had a flow to it and now you can see distances.

**VICE-CHAIR SELBIG MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 7:45 P.M.**

**MOTION SUPPORTED BY COMMISSIONER NELL ANNE HEBEKEUSER.**

**ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED.**