



Tuscola County Parks & Recreation Commission

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Wednesday, June 18, 2014 – 8:00 a.m.

Commissioner's Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln St, Caro

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting was Called to order by Nick Buggia at 8:07 a.m.

Present: David Barrios, Nick Buggia, Robert McKay, Gerald Peterson, Planning Commission liason Cynthia Kapa, BOC liason Roger Allen

Absent: Drain Commissioner Bob Mantey, Sam Moore

Approval of Meeting Minutes: April 16, 2014

Moved by Roger Allen

Supported by Gerald Peterson

Motion Passed

Approval of Agenda: Amended to discuss moving of meeting time Moved by Nick Buggia

Support by Roger Allen

Motion Passed

Public Comment: Pam Shook provided an update for Vanderbilt Park including summer use and building and grounds update

Invited Guests: Russ Fall of the Vassar Township Park and Recreation Board addressed informed the Commission of the Boards intention to create a park in Vassar Township, inquiring if any approval were needed from the Commission.

Review of Correspondence(s) Received: Lisa Valentine sent an email stepping down from her position on the Parks and Recreation Commission. The P&RC regretfully accepted her resignation. Moved by David Barrios supported by Gerald Peterson to receive the resignation - motion passed

Ongoing Business & Committee Reports:

- 1) Funding/Budget – Review 2014 budget
- 2) Planning – Master Plan Update Marketing/Tourism – Updated Vanderbilt brochure; creation of website with inventory of parks in county

Old Business:

- 1) Election of officers – Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary
Nick Buggia elected Chair moved by Roger Allen Support from Jerry Peterson - Motion Passed
Robert McKay elected Vice Chair Motioned by Jerry Peterson Supported by Cynthia Kapa - motion passed.
Cynthia Kapa elected Secretary Moved by Roger Allen Support by David Barrios - Motion Passed
- 2) Update on acquisition of property for horseback riding trails
- 3) Master Plan update – Robert McKay suggested working with Spicer Group on the Master Plan update. Estimated cost \$7,000, could assist with obtaining grant funds. The commission presented the idea to the BOC for \$7,000 to finish the master plan

New Business:

- 1) Develop a citizen survey to put on website. Talked about looking into how to update the website.
- 2) Speak to road commission about a parking lot for hunting, bird watching, and canoe–kayaking to be established on DNR land at the southwestern corner of the Waterman–Caine intersection in Vassar Township, and what role the Road Commission might have in such a project.
- 3) Attendance/participation at Michigan DNR Trust Fund meetings – Wednesday, August 20, 9:00 am, Lake St. Clair Metropark – Wednesday, October 22, 9:00am, Lansing Community College West Campus – Wednesday, December 3, 9:00 am, Lansing Community College West Campus
- 4) Confirm next meeting date – August 20, 2014

Announcements - none

Adjourned at 9:42a.m.

Tuscola County Parks & Recreation Commission Mission Statement

The mission of the Tuscola County Parks & Recreation Commission is to provide and coordinate year-round recreational opportunities for people of all abilities, and to meet the needs of area residents and regional visitors while protecting wildlife and nature.