

The Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Redford Parks Commission was called to order on April 24, 2023 by Chairman Herbst at 6:00 PM.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Roll Call**

**Present:** Commissioner Kip Smith, Commissioner Sheila Newton, Commissioner Stephen Gierak, Commissioner Jeff Kangas, Commissioner Adrian Herbst and Commissioner Debra Legleitner.

**Absent:** Commissioner Bill McSween

### **Approval of Agenda**

**23-26 Motion:** was made by Smith supported by Newton to approve the agenda for the Regular Meeting of April 24, 2023. All ayes, Motion Carried.

### **Approval of Minutes**

**23-27 Motion:** was made by Legleitner supported by Newton to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of April 10, 2023. All ayes Motion Carried.

### **Unfinished Business**

- 1.) Rec Center Update: Still progressing, internal team is meeting every other week.
- 2.) Kraft Parking Lot: Director Stokes presented the two bids that were submitted. Bush Brothers \$189,856 & T&M Asphalt \$355,750

**23-28 Motion:** was made by Legleitner, supported by Newton to submit Bush Brothers to the Township board for approval with the funding coming from Capital Reserve Fund and if any additional needed from Parks Capital from 23/24 budget. Roll Call vote- all ayes passed 6-0.

- 3.) Ballfield Discussion: Nothing new to report from last meeting.

### **New Business:**

- 1.) Western Golf Club: Parking use request swim meet: Director Stokes was contacted by Tracy Ott from Western in regards to the use of Western for their swim meet in July. It was requested that a plan and what they would like to use, how many cars, etc. be sent in to get to the Commissioners prior to the meeting. Ms. Ott sent information over to Greg from Western to contact the Department. No information has been received or additional contact at this time.
- 2.) Memorial Bench Requests: There have been two memorial bench requests brought to the Department- One for Melinda Graczyk and the other from Ms. Hizer for her granddaughter. Director Burgess tried to reach back out to Ms. Hizer but went to voicemail and said was full.

**23-29 Motion:** was made by Smith, supported by Legleitner to approve the placement of two benches- one at Ashcroft and one at Claude with approved wording. All ayes, motion carried.

- 3.) Memorial Tree planting- Ashcroft: There was a request to plant a memorial tree at Ashcroft gardens in memory of Melinda Graczyk Saturday April 29<sup>th</sup> with the tree being donated.

**23-30 Motion:** was made by Smtih, supported by Newton to approve the memorial tree planting on April 29, 2023 at Ashcroft Park. All ayes, motion carried.

**Citizens Comments: None**

**Department Report:** Director Stokes updated on events. The Spark grant will be available for the final funding round beginning May 1<sup>st</sup>. There was no guidelines for scoring justification and it stated there were too many applications for individual information on scoring to give. From the scoring Redford's proposal was in Tier 4 out of 10 by score, one point away from tier 3. She will resubmit. Lots of activities going on with the new cinema at the center happening on Friday May 5<sup>th</sup>. Parks seasonals we have called applicants and will be interviewing next week. Colin will be returning from last year as well.

**Commissioner Reports:**

Commissioner Newton: None

Commissioner Smith: None

Commissioner Gierak: Would like to thank staff for assisting with his memorial rental

Commissioner McSween: Absent

Commissioner Legleitner: None

Commissioner Herbst: He is seeing cricket out at Ashcroft

Commissioner Kangas: None

**Review Current Parks Bills:**

**23-31 Motion:** was made by Gierak, supported by Smith to approve the park bills. Roll call vote, all ayes motion carried 6-0.

**Adjournment:** with no further business meeting adjourned by Commissioner Herbst at 6:31pm

Respectfully submitted,

  
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JEFF KANGAS, REDFORD TOWNSHIP PARKS COMMISSION