

The Regular Meeting of the Charter Township of Redford Parks Commission was called to order on August 14, 2023 by Chairman Herbst at 6:00 PM.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Roll Call**

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

### **Approval of Agenda**

**23-53 Motion:** was made by McSween supported by Newton to approve the agenda for the Regular Meeting of July 24, 2023. All ayes, Motion Carried.

### **Approval of Minutes**

**23-54 Motion:** was made by McSween supported by Newton to approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of July 10, 2023. All ayes Motion Carried.

### **Unfinished Business**

- 1.) Rec Center Update: Director Stokes report: Continuing with Design, there will be a Special Meeting on August 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm to discuss the current design and options. She would encourage and like the Commission to attend the meeting as well.
- 2.) Kraft Parking Lot: Director Stokes gave Commissioners a timeline for the project and provided pictures of the current progress. The project is slated to be completed the week ending September 16<sup>th</sup>.
- 3.) Updated list of current/completed projects: No additional news

### **New Business:**

- 1.) Cavanagh Coffee hours: Aug 25 Handy Park. Director Stokes spoke that Senator Cavanagh would like to host her coffee hours at Handy Park. This is something that our elected members of the state usually hold throughout communities and she would like to host hers here for the constituents.

**23-55 Motion:** was made by XXX, supported by XXX to allow Senator Cavanagh to host coffee hours on August 25<sup>th</sup> from 1-2:30pm with no cost. All ayes, Motion Carried.

- 2.) Friends of the Rouge/Water Dept project Claude: Last year, the Friends of the Rouge approached the water department on submitting a grant to create a bioswail/rain garden at the end of Lennane at Claude Allison Park. This will help with the Townships Stormwater Management and flooding issues on that street. The grant was awarded and they will be hosting some public input for the 4300 sqft area. Once more information is available

Director Stokes will pass along to the Commission. This will be maintained by the Townships Water Department.

- 3.) State Budget Funding Park Improvements- Redford Township: Director Stokes gave the Commissioners the letter from Senator Cavanagh informing the Township of \$2 million for the Recreation and Wellness Center and \$750,000 for Park Improvements that were approved in the State Budget. The Park Improvement funding was indicated as Park improvements so the Township can determine the projects it would like to do.

**23-56 Motion:** was made by Legleitner, supported by Smith to accept the \$750,000 that was approved from the state budget for Park Improvements. All ayes, motion carried.

**Citizens Comments:** NONE

**Department Report:** Director Stokes report: Most updates were given within the agenda items on today's meeting. Reminder that the next concert will be August 15th @ 7pm Rewind and the final concert for the year on August 22<sup>nd</sup> the Liki Tiki Band. The car show will be held Sunday August 13<sup>th</sup> at the Marquee of Redford went extremely well, Sam said there were approximately 60 cars for the event. Lots of vendors at the Market, food trucks, etc. Staff are continuing to work on fall and winter programs for the upcoming brochure.

**Commissioner Reports:**

Commissioner Newton: Brought some concerns related to the Concerts. Director Stokes will look more into them.

Commissioner Smith: None

Commissioner Gierak: None

Commissioner McSween: None

Commissioner Legleitner: None

Commissioner Herbst: None

Commissioner Kangas: None

**Review Current Parks Bills:** NONE

**Communication:** NONE

**Adjournment:** with no further business meeting adjourned by Commissioner Herbst at 6:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

  
JEFF KANGAS, REDFORD TOWNSHIP PARKS COMMISSION