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WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting
7525 Highland Road
White Lake, MI 48383
November 22, 2011 @ 7:00 p.m.

Vice Chairperson Carlock called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll was called: Ms. Shiloff was excused.

ROLL CALL: Steve Anderson
Merrie Carlock, Vice Chairperson
Debby Dehart
Deb Deren, Secretary
David Lewsley, Board Liaison
Jean Shiloff - **Excused**
Andrea Voorheis

Also Present: Jason Iacoangeli, Staff Planner
Lynn Lindon, Recording Secretary

Visitors: 3

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mr. Anderson moved to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Voorheis supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote. (6 yes votes)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

a. Minutes of October 25, 2011 meeting

Mr. Anderson moved to approve the minutes of October 25, 2011 as corrected. Ms. Voorheis supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote. (6 yes votes)

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Ms. Carlock opened the discussion to the public for comments on items not listed on the agenda, but none was offered.

FINANCIAL REVIEW:

Mr. Anderson reviewed the financial report for September and October. He indicated that he found both sets of minutes acceptable. He had asked for a general ledger for a better understanding of the

expenses and for clarification of the line items, which is attached for review by the committee members. He did question a few of the expenditures and referenced charges for repairs and a battery for a golf cart. The expenses for park improvements have been broken down. Mr. Anderson indicated that the committee authorized a general dollar amount and whatever is being subbed out is now being provided in detail.

There were questions as to whether Beckett and Raeder was doing the work at the Bloomer Park. Mr. Iacoangeli responded that work done at the park falls within the contract that was awarded to Beckett and Raeder. Mr. Lewsley explained the scope of work being done at each park, and who was approved/paid to do the work.

Ms. Voorheis moved to approve the Financial Reports for September and October. Ms. Carlock supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a unanimous voice vote. (6 yes votes)

New Business:

a. White Lake Road (Hidden Pines) Oak Tree Park Design Proposal

Mr. Iacoangeli reported he forwarded an additional scope of work for the development of this park as previously requested by the committee members. He distributed a proposal for review. Additional future public meetings will allow for resident input.

Mr. Lewsley noted there was discussion with regard to putting in landscaping this fall. Mr. Iacoangeli indicated there might be some landscaping in the fall if weather permits, but they are still in the process of working on the ball field and there are still many things that need to be completed. The design they would do would take into account anything that has already been done.

Ms. Carlock stated she doesn't want to waste money hiring a planner if the designs would not be considered. Mr. Iacoangeli responded that the township board is receptive to doing park design work.

Mr. Anderson asked if there was a timeline established for work. Mr. Iacoangeli responded that the proposal is not all as encompassing as the plan of Bloomer Park. This proposal is merely to take the 9 acres, lay it out, and show amenities. The next step would be to determine a playground, soil borings, etc.

Mr. Anderson asked whether Beckett and Raeder would do a grant application on behalf of the township and Mr. Lewsley questioned whether there was trust fund money available. Ms. Carlock reported that there is about \$30,000 with the Passport program that could help and there is the option for federal funding as well. Her concern is that the township goes for a trust fund, there is a lengthy time to wait. She would like to apply for an acquisition, where local landowners donate the local match. She would be willing to approach some of those landowners.

With regard to development projects, Ms. Carlock doesn't know of anything pending at this time. She referenced the fire station property, and how the township wants to keep this as commercial frontage for future use and would keep the property in the rear for the park.

Mr. Anderson the quote of \$6,800 and whether it would complete the 5 tasks listed on the proposal. Mr. Iacoangeli confirmed that it would. Mr. Anderson questioned whether there was a need to have another visioning session for this particular park knowing that the Master Plan shows the vision for the area. Mr. Iacoangeli didn't think another public session would be necessary since there is already input from the residents from a previous session.

Mr. Lewsley questioned whether it is necessary to have construction plans considering the types of improvements being proposed for this park. Ms. Carlock noted that some developers take concept plans and work from them, but other improvements such as installing a playground would benefit from having

the construction plans. She added that Beckett and Raeder could provide a light duty spec, and decisions can be made in the future to that regard.

Mr. Lewsley moved to recommend to the Township Board to proceed with the proposal presented this evening. Ms. Carlock supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a unanimous voice vote. (6 yes votes)

Other Business:

a. Staff Report

Mr. Anderson questioned whether there were communications with regard to signage. Mr. Iacoangeli reported that signage recommendations have been forwarded to the Township Supervisor. He also provided an older recommendation from the committee for benches. They are waiting waiting for the most opportune time to buy the benches for possibly all 3 parks at the same time. He will follow up and report back to the committee.

Communications:

a. Liaison Reports

Mr. Lewsley reported that at the last board meeting, the board approved the recommendation of this committee to review rules and regulations. Mr. Iacoangeli added that the board has allowed the committee to investigate unit prices for neighboring facilities and look at rules & regulations to make changes/additions.

Mr. Iacoangeli asked if the committee members were opposed to canceling the December meeting since it is close to the holiday. None of the members were opposed.

The January meeting agenda will consist of the 2012 meeting dates, at which Mr. Iacoangeli will look at scheduling the 1st Tuesday of the month rather than the 4th. The agenda will also review the Master Plan, look at grants, an ITC follow up and an update on an acquisition grant.

Committee Member Comments:

- b. Next Meeting Date: Regular meeting of December 27, 2011 – canceled
- c. Meeting possibly scheduled for January 24 and February 7, 2012.

Adjournment

Mr. Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Ms. Carlock supported and the MOTION CARRIED with a voice vote. (6 yes votes)