

**WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION
AUGUST 14, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Chairperson Carlock called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll was called.

ROLL CALL:

Andrea Voorheis, Township Board Liaison
Rhonda Grubb
Merrie Carlock, Chair

Absent:

Alexandra Schillack

Also Present:

Sean O'Neil, Community Development Director
Anderew Littman, Staff Planner
Hannah Kennedy-Galley, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOTION by Member Grubb, seconded by Member Voorheis, to approve the agenda as amended.
The motion carried with a voice vote: (3 yes votes).**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. April 10, 2024

MOTION by Member Voorheis, seconded by Member Grubb to approve the minutes of February 14, 2024 as presented. The motion carried with a voice vote: (3 yes votes).

CALL TO PUBLIC

Mary Earley, 5925 Pineridge Court, stated another year had gone by and there had not been any improvements made to Hidden Pines Park. She urged the Committee to pay attention to the park.

NEW/CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. Rockin the Farm and millage debrief

Rockin the Farm was a success; Staff Planner Littman was in attendance and received great feedback from the event. Kelly Lang, Secretary for the Supervisor's Office, said there was not a partnership with the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce this year, and the Township and Historical Society did not receive any proceeds or donations at this time. She suggested that the Township could consider throwing their own summer event next year.

The Parks & Recreation millage passed on the August 6, 2024 ballot. The millage rate will increase to .3 mills through the next ten years. The millage passed by 10%. The millage revenue would go toward paying back the debt from the Stanley Park and Triangle Trail

projects. Director O'Neil said there would be opportunities to share in costs for pathway projects with the CIA in the future. He added that the Huron Clinton Metro Authority had the desire to connect Indian Springs to Kensington. There was interest within the CIA, and the project could potentially be a future collaboration between the Parks and Rec Committee and the CIA.

B. Project updates

Stanley Park's construction contract for Phase one was finalized; a preconstruction meeting with STE construction will occur later this month.

Triangle Trail's restoration work was recently completed and a punchlist was created.

Staff Planner Littman added that he had ordered and installed new soccer nets at Hawley Park.

C. Trunk or Treat 2024 – discussion

The event was scheduled for Saturday, October 19, 2024 at Fisk Farm. Last year, there were 47 cars participating, with free games and refreshments. The Township would be doing the majority of the work setting up the event this year. The budget for this year's event is \$3,000.00. Ruggles would be providing donuts again. Ms. Lang suggested running the event without the Chamber this year. The Committee agreed.

MOTION by Member Voorheis, seconded by Member Grubb, to recommend the amount of \$3,000.00 to be used for Trunk or Treat 2024. The motion carried with a voice vote: (3 yes votes).

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

STAFF REPORT

Nothing additional to report.

COMMUNICATIONS

A. Member Communications

Member Grubb said she attended Rockin the Farm this year and it was very well attended.

Member Voorheis said she enjoyed Rockin the Farm, welcomed Steve Anderson to the Board of Trustees, and September 7 & 8 was the Fisk Farm Fall Festival.

ADJOURNMENT

A. NEXT MEETING DATE: **September 11, 2024**

MOTION by Member Grubb, seconded by Member Voorheis, to adjourn at 7:01 P.M.