

GENESEE COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

The semi-monthly meeting of the Genesee County Parks & Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, January 24, 2008 in the Harris Auditorium, Genesee County Administration Building, 1101 Beach Street, Flint, Michigan.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

APPOINTED MEMBERS

Joe Krapohl, President
James Washington, Vice President
William Lucas, Secretary
Raynetta Speed
Ted Henry
Rose Bogardus
Mike Keeler

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Jeff Wright, Genesee County Drain Commissioner
Dave Miller, Ex-Officio, Road Commission

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Bob Ranger, Genesee County Planning Commission

STAFF PRESENT

Amy M. McMillan, Director
Matt Armentrout, Maintenance Supervisor
Deborah Wilkes, Secretary
Leisa Gagne, Finance Officer
Nancy Edwards, Program Specialist
Hilda McShane, Marketing Specialist
Kendre Chapman, Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT:

Brian Barkey, Commission Legal Counsel
Larry Stricker
Ed Schmitz

(1) CALL TO ORDER

President Krapohl called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

- (2) **NEW COMMISSION MEMBERS:** President Krapohl welcomed Dave Miller back as a representative from the Road Commission as well as our newest citizen representative, Mike Keeler.

- (3) **PRESENTATION OF DEER BROWSE STUDY** President Krapohl informed commissioners, staff and audience that Mr. Slaughter will not be here to present the study. This item is tabled, hopefully to be rescheduled for our next meeting on February 14, 2008.

- (4) **OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION**
Larry Stricker of 3547 N Gale Rd., Davison stated that he would like to see the gates moved back at Timberwolf Fishing Pond area approximately 600-800 feet, were it is easier to launch boats and canoes.

(5) CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Discussion: There were no items removed from the consent agenda. A copy of the sub-committee minutes, held on January 9th regarding wildlife management, will be forwarded to all of the board members.

Motion to approve the items on the consent agenda.

Action Taken: Motion by Commission Lucas
Support by Commissioner Washington

Roll Call: Yeas: Henry, Keeler, Krapohl, Lucas, Miller, Speed, Washington, Wright
Nays: None
Commissioner Bogardus arrived at 10:08 and missed the vote

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8-0

(6) REPORT FROM LEGAL COUNSEL

Nothing to report from legal counsel. There were no questions directed to legal counsel.

(7) DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. McMillan apologized for Mr. Slaughter not being able to attend. He had to turn around half-way here due to car problems.

For those of you who have inquired about Ron Walker's son, he is progressing very well in his recovery, with some mild side affects from the surgery, but is expected to be released from the hospital soon. Ron passed along that he thanks everyone for their thoughts, prayers and kind words.

The proposed meeting schedule has some incorrect dates listed. Meetings should be on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month with the exception of November and December. New schedules will be sent to you. The February 8 date is correct for the Commissioner's Retreat at the Presidential Conference Center. You have been given a reminder with a map of the campus on the back. The retreat will start at 9:00 a.m.

Motion to support approval of the 2008 Commission meeting schedule for the Second and Fourth Thursday of each month with the addition of February 8 and November 13 and corrected date of December 11, 2008.

Action Taken: Motion by Commissioner Lucas
Support by Commissioner Wright

Roll Call: Yeas: Wright, Washington, Speed, Miller, Lucas, Krapohl, Keeler, Henry, Bogardus
Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 9-0

(6) OTHER BUSINESS

President Krapohl stated that at the last board meeting he failed to appoint a representative from the Genesee County Board of Commissioners to our Executive Committee. President Krapohl asked if there were any objections to Commissioner Ted Henry continuing in that role. There were no objections. Commissioner Henry will serve as our County Commissioner representative to our Parks Executive Board.

(8) OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMISSIONERS TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Wright welcomed back Mr. Miller and welcomed Mr. Keeler to the Parks Commission. We have many exciting things happening this year.

Commissioner Mike Keeler thanked the County Commissioners that are present for voting for him to join the Parks Commission. He used to work with Shirley Prater and they knew each other quite well and had talked about him one day joining the Parks Commission. Shirley will be missed.

(9) OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

(10) President Krapohl adjourned the meeting at 10:14 am