

# Charter Township of Redford

## Parks Commission Meeting - Amended September 22, 2008

The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Redford Park Commission was called to order September 22, 2008 by the Chair at 7:05 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Present: Chair, Maureen Okasinski  
Vice Chair, Diana Brang-Schroeder  
Secretary, John Keenan  
Treasurer, Laura Weaver

Absent: Commissioner Steve Offman, Commissioner Kevin Dodd and Commissioner Saira Comerford

Also present: Debbie Break, Mike Curle, Tom O'Connor, Theresa Burgess, Jan Pokorny, Lois Wludyka, Bill McSween, Robert Mockeridge, Amy Hichez, Kyle Axline, Jeffrey Burow, and John Hebner.

**08-104 Approval of Amended Agenda:** Motion was made by WEAVER, supported by KEENAN, to approve the Amended Agenda, by adding Soft Solutions Recreation Surfacing to old business.. All ayes. Motion carried: 4-0 Absent 3

**08-105 Approval of Amended Minutes from September 8, 2008:** Motion was made by BRANG-SCHROEDER, supported by WEAVER to approve the minutes By changing the date of the Fire Department open house to October 7<sup>th</sup>, Vandenberg School had an open house not a health fair, page 2 of 4 in Commissioner Keenan's statements change "sited" to "cited" and under Communication it should read; A woman apologized to Mike Curle in response to an email she sent in case she sounded rude. The woman also thanked Theresa Burgess for the way she handled the situation. All ayes. Motion carried: 4-0 Absent 3

**08-106 Approval of Minutes from Special Meeting on September 15, 2008:** Motion was made by BRANG-SCHROEDER supported by WEAVER to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried: 4-0 Absent 3

### **Citizen Comments:**

- Jeffrey Burow from Jeff Recycling asked the Commissioners to use Capitol Park for a free Halloween Fair. A free movie appropriate for viewing would be shown along with a commercial about recycling.. The purpose of the event would be to educate the public on recycling and scrap metal. The purposed date for the event is Saturday, October 25, 2008. Movie to be shown at dark with the event ending by 9:00 p.m.

**08-107 Motion:** by WEAVER supported by KEENAN to tentatively approve the Recycling event to be held at Capitol Park on Saturday, October 25, 2008 or another feasible facility pending the approval of the movie selection, which will be reviewed by the Parks Commission at the meeting on Monday October 13, 2008.

### **New Business:**

- **Chamber of Commerce Ad:** Mike Curle asked the Commissioners if they wanted to renew their full page ad or remove the picture and only have a one-half page ad. If so a new picture would need to be taken of the Commissioners. The Parks Commission receives a \$60 discount over non-members. The cost of a full page add with the discount would be \$675.00. Commissioner Brang-Schroeder reminded everyone how often residents refer to the Redford Directory.

**08-108 Motion:** by BRANG-SCHROEDER supported by WEAVER to renew the ad with the Chamber of Commerce. All ayes. Motion carried: 4-0 Absent 3

- **Welcome to new Park Commissioners elect:** Commissioner Okasinski greeted the new Commissioners and expressed the Commission's desire to assist in their transition to office by providing a packet of information. Commissioner Okasinski reviewed the Master Plan pointing out major points of interest.
- Commissioner Brang-Schroeder discussed the By-laws governing the Commission and stressed using Roberts Rules of Order.
- Mike Curle talked about staffing, the website and the budget for Parks and Recreation, and the Parks Maintenance Department.

### **Recess from 8:20 p.m. to 8:35 p.m.**

- Commissioner Weaver addressed Special events and encouraged the new commissioners to become involved with these events, since involvement in events are not only full filling, but also a lot of fun. Just don't try to attend every event. Each Commissioner has his/her own strengths.
- Commissioner Keenan wrapped up the welcome by encouraging the new commissioners to respect each others opinions and differences and to have a good relationship with the Supervisor, Trustees and County Officials. Continue to move the community forward, not just your special interests and get to know all of the parks. Follow the master plan, by-laws and Roberts Rules. Most importantly have a good time.
- **Soft Solutions Recreation Surfacing:** Commissioner Okasinski discussed getting approval from the Commission to apply for assistance from Soft Solutions to add accessible pathways to Capitol and Jaycee Parks. If a second application can be submitted Commissioner Okasinski would like it to be for Claude Allison Park.

**08-109 Motion:** by WEAVER supported by KEENAN to incorporate Soft Solutions Recreation Surfacing at Capitol, Claude and Jaycee Parks. All ayes. Motion carried: 4-0 Absent 3

### **Old Business:** None

### **Department Report & Commissioner Report:**

**08-110 Motion:** by KEENAN supported by WEAVER to table the Department Reports and the Commissioners' Report until the next regular meeting of the Parks Commission. All ayes. Motion carried: 4-0 Absent 3

**Park Bills**

**08-111** Motion was made by BRANG-SCHROEDER supported by KEENAN to approve the Park's bills for 75100 Recreation, 75500 Concession and 75200 Maintenance. All ayes. Motion carried: 4-0 Absent 3

**Communication:** None

**08-112 Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 9:10 p.m. by BRANG-SCHROEDER, supported by WEAVER. All ayes. Motion carried: 4-0 Absent 3

Respectfully submitted by Commissioner Keenan, Corresponding Secretary

Recording Secretary: Debbie Break