

Village of Three Oaks Parks and Recreation Committee  
Regular Meeting  
February 5, 2018

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Brown

**Roll Call:**

- **Present-** Joan Brown, Darlene Heemstra, Marlene Kramer, Steve Shimek, Larry Shawver,
- **Absent-** Steve Henderson, Debbie Weber
- **Attending-** Mike Green, Village Manager, Pat Fisher, HCH

**Motion** by Heemstra, *Support* by Shawver to accept the Minutes of December 4, 2017 meeting and approval of the February 5, 2018 agenda. Motion carried unanimously

**Public Comment:** Pat Fischer of Harbor Country Hikers presented a detailed 'HC trail Signage Standards and Guidelines'. This is an effort to standardize and promote uniform signage at area nature areas and parks. (see motion in New Business) He also suggested presentation opportunities such as wildflowers, and geology.

**Unfinished Business:**

*Carver Park-*

- Kiosk- Mike Green stated will be installed when weather permits.

*Chamberlain Path-* No discussion

*Dewey Cannon-*

- Mike Green reported that time capsule will be buried as weather permits

*Dillard Park*

- Based on citizen request: Motion by Heemstra Second by Kramer to recommend replacing one swing with a 'closed tot seat'. Motion carried.

*Warren Plaza* – no discussion

*Watkins Park/Schwark Drain-*

- Per Mike: Spoke with Drain Commissioner – discussed work/re path around Schwark Drain. Indicated the cost would be approx. \$17,000 which would come from the maintenance fund. Shawver reminded that there are ways to mitigate cost such as partnering with "Save the Road". Motion by Shawver to revive discussion of non-motorized connections from this point, with Village Manager presenting to Village Council with the concept of "Share the Road". Second by Heemstra. Motion carried.

*Formalization of Joint Village and Township Committee:*

- Mike Green will provide information on this at a future meeting.

*Capital Improvements:*

- Restrooms are included in the budget for 2018-2019 fiscal year. Subject to change.

*Oak Wilt Presentation*

- ReLeaf Michigan and Jared Harmon DNR provided the press release/flyer sample for the presentation TO P&R is hosting at the TOTPL on March 31, 2018. Press release will go out 6 weeks prior.

**New Business:**

- \*Motion by Shawver to endorse the “Harbor Country Trail Signage Standards and Guidelines” as presented by Pat Fischer, HCH.; to express support for the concept and the coalition, and to thank Pat Fisher for his ongoing efforts to bring this forward. Second by Shimek. Motion carried.

*Community Garden-*

- There will be a wedding held in the garden on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Discussed clearing rain garden and possible support on that.

**Public comment:** none.

**Motion to Adjourn:** Motion by Kramer, Support by Shimek, to adjourn at 8:00 pm. Carried unanimously

Next Meeting: March 5, 2018 at 7:00pm

*Submitted by Joan Brown on behalf of Secretary Steve Henderson*