

Menominee County Parks and Recreation Committee

Meeting Minutes

July 2, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Bob Desjarlais at Kleinke Park in Menominee County, MI on July 2, 2012.

Reporting for roll call were: Bob Desjarlais, Vola Bleile, Ruby Ivens, Gail Jerzyk, Glenn Cody, County Administrator Brian Bousley, and County Commissioners Charlie Meintz and Mark Jasper. Al Thompson, Buildings and Ground Supervisor also attended the meeting. There was a quorum present to conduct the meeting.

Approval of agenda: A motion was made by Mark and seconded by Gail. The motion carried.

Minutes: Minutes from the previous meeting on June 3, 2012 were reviewed by the committee. Vola offered a motion that was seconded by Charlie.. The motion carried.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Business:

- a. **Budget Review:** Brian distributed copies of the most recent budget and stated that the bottom line remains fine. He did offer a corrected amount of \$24,626.25 for revenue collected from June 1 – 30, 2012.. Charlie offered a motion to approve the budget that was seconded by Vola. The motion carried.
- b. **Park Ranger/Park Manager Updates:** Brian reported that new signs had been installed at Kleinke Park, and that a camper at Shakey Lakes Park had left the park without paying the \$50 in camping fees that he owed. Karen Kayser pursued the suspect until police arrived.
- c. **Park Deputy Program:** Brian reported that Deputy Menacher had been camping in the park and that he had already handled several incidents.
- d. **Projects:** Menominee County Building Inspector Dan Menacher reported on the progress on the new bathhouse at Shakey Lakes Park. He noted that two decisions by the board were needed in order to complete the project. First, it was necessary to choose a suitable furnace for the building. Charlie offered a motion, seconded by Ruby, that Brian and Dan be permitted to decide on the furnace.. The motion carried. Second, it was necessary for the board to decide if the new showers were to be coin-operated or not. After a short discussion, Vola offered a motion to proceed with the coin-operated showers that was seconded by Gail. The motion carried.
- e. **Camp Host – Kleinke Park:** Camp Host Don Phillips reported on his first few weeks

in the park. He has organized several events for the campers including a fish fry and coffee hour. He also distributed a list of upcoming events. There was some discussion concerning the possibility of requesting funding for these activities. No action was taken at this time.

- f. **2012/2013 Budget discussion**– Brian announced that the budget for the coming year would essentially be the same as this year. He will allocate a little more for fragmite control at Airport Park. The finalized budget will be ready on July 10. Brian also asked the board to keep in mind that the pad at Stoney Point will need to be replaced in the near future.

There was no correspondence.

Any Other Items Members Wish to Present: Charlie noted that there is too much grass growing on the beach at Kleinke Park and he wondered if the beach could be dragged. He offered to check on the legality of beach grooming (new legislation had just gone into effect) as well as the possibility of a local company donating the use of their equipment for the project.

Public Comment: Several campers remarked that they were very impressed with the host camper at Kleinke Park. Many positive comments were offered, even by some patrons who had not been in favor of the idea a year ago. One camper asked why only one person had been granted the concessions at Shakey Lakes Park. She also wondered why there were no concessions at Kleinke Park. Another camper suggested that the board encourage campers to adopt solar lights and other appliances in an effort to save energy. A third camper questioned the efforts of the individual who had been charged with dust control at Kleinke Park. Brian stated that he would be brought back in a few weeks, if dust continued to be a problem.

Charlie offered a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Vola. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Glenn D. Cody