Menominee County Parks and Recreation Committee

Meeting Minutes

April 1, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 pm by Bob Desjarlais at the Annex in Stephenson, MI on April, 2013.

Reporting for roll call were: Bob Desjarlais, Vola Bleile, Ruby Ivens, Glenn Cody, County Administrator Brian Bousley, and County Commissioner Charlie Meintz. There was a quorum present to conduct the meeting.

Approval of agenda: A motion was made by Ruby and seconded by Glenn. The motion carried.

Minutes: A motion was made by Ruby to approve the minutes from the last meeting that was seconded by Vola. The motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Business:

a. **Monthly Budget Review:** Brian distributed copies of the latest budget for the board's perusal and comment. He reported that the bottom-line remains fine; income and expenditures were in line for this time of year. Several members of the committee requested clarification of a few items which Brian provided. Brian also mentioned that lease applications for the 2013 camping season were still being received.

b. **Camp Host Program:** Brian announced that no applications had been received for the position of camp host at Klenke Park. Without a camp host, there can be no Camp Host Program for the 2013 camping season.

c. **Parks Projects /Grants:** Brian announced that the new bathhouse at Shakey Lakes Park is nearly ready. The furnace is installed and in operation. There is just a little exterior painting work to be completed. He also mentioned that the grant application for improvements at the Stoney Point Boat launch had been submitted to the DNR. Projects that will be funded from last year's grant at River Park will soon be offered for public bid. Brian would also like to apply for a 2% grant from Hannahville to help with both the River Park and Stoney Point projects. Future grant proposals might be designed to help combat the phragmites infestation at those parks that have bay frontage.

   An estimate for $3200.00 was received from Alger-Delta for electrical upgrades at Shakey Lakes Park, specifically for the completion of the electrical loop within the park. The estimate does not include any costs associated with trenching.

d. **Lease Program:** Brian reported that there were six long-term campsites still available. Bob requested that Kandace Curran be granted five or six rustic campsites for the weekend of the Menominee County Fair to accommodate those associated with the

horse pulling event.

e. **Deputy in the Park Program:** Brian reported that no applications from eligible law enforcement officers had bee received. The offer had been extended to the Michigan State Police but not to officers of the City of Menominee since they have no jurisdiction outside city limits.

f. **Parks Website/Advertisements:** Brian announced that the website has been updated for the 2013 camping season.

g. **Vendors/Concessionaires in Parks:** Brian reminded the board that the 2013 camping season will be the third and final year of the current 3-year contract with vendor/tenants at Shakey Lakes Park. A request to operate a food truck at Kleinke Park was received from a vendor. Charlie made a motion, seconded by Vola, to allow the vendor to sell food from his truck at the park for the current season. The motion carried.

Correspondence: Brian reported that he had received an additional complaint from a non-resident regarding the increase in camping rates for the 2013 season.

Any Other Items Members Wish to Present: There were no additional items.

Ruby offered a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Vola. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Glenn D. Cody