

PARKS COMMISSION

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MEMBERS

Ralph Tillotson, Karol "KZ" Bolton
Nancy Jenkins-Arno, Dawn Bales, Dan Bruggeman

Chamber Room, 2nd Floor
301 N. Main Street

Minutes: Monday, January 16, 2023 – 11:00 a.m.

Attendees: Commissioners Bolton, Tillotson, Bales, and Jenkins-Arno

Absent: Dan Bruggeman

Others Present: Commissioners Collins and Krasny, Kim Murphy, Shannon Elliott, Matt Turgeon, Tim Mehan, and Rob VanNieuwenhze

I. Election of Chair of the Committee

Motion by Bolton, seconded by Bales, to elect Commissioner Tillotson as Chair of Parks Commission. Motion carried.

II. Election of Vice Chair of Committee

Motion by Bales, seconded by Jenkins-Arno to elect Commissioner Karol "KZ" Bolton as Vice Chair of Parks Commission. Motion carried.

III. Approval of Minutes

The November minutes should reflect that the name of Taylor Road Park will remain, and a feature in the park will be considered to take the name Daub.

Motion by Bales, seconded by Bolton, to approve the minutes as amended of the November 21, 2022 meeting. Motion carried.

IV. Finance Report

Administrator Murphy presented the finance report.

V. Parks Updates

A. Pheasants Forever Request – Taylor Road Park, committee member, Dan Bruggeman will reach out to Pheasants Forever letting them know that the Park will remain Taylor Road Park, however, a feature in the park will carry the name Daub.

B. Sparks Grants Projects – No information regarding potential grant awards at this time, awards are anticipated to be made within the month of January.

VI. Updates & Other Business

A. Currently no plans for rustic upgrade for Ramsdell Park

B. Discussion around boundless playgrounds

VII. Public Comment

Commissioner Krasny relayed that Commissioner Nancy Jenkins-Arno introduced and was successful in passing the largest Bill for Disabled People in 30 years.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion by Bolton, seconded by Bales, to adjourn the meeting at 11:27 am. Motion carried.

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Parks Commission Goals

- Further development of parks and activities
 - Potential projects volunteer group
 - Review Parks Plan
- Partnership with forest management (LISD or Lenawee Conservation, MSU Extension, Lenawee Farm Bureau, forestry group, others) -
Decrease dead wood, increase good production, tear out grape vine, clean out invasive & diseased vegetation/trees