

PARKS COMMISSION

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MEETING LOCATION

Bicentennial Park
5626 Tipton Hwy. - Adrian, MI

MEMBERS

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

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

Attendees: R. Tillotson, KZ Bolton, N. Jenkins-Arno, D. Bales, and D. Bruggeman

Others Present: Commissioner Van Doren, Kim Murphy, Shannon Elliott, Tim Mehan, Jen Ambrose, and Rebecca Borton

I. Approval of the Minutes

Motion by D. Bales, seconded by N. Jenkins-Arno, to approve the September 11, 2023, minutes. Motion carried.

II. Finance Report

Administrator Murphy presented the finance reports. The cash fund balance is \$132,652 which includes \$57,000 of restricted funds. If no specific projects are identified by the first of the year, these restricted funds will be used for general projects for each of the designated parks.

III. Parks Updates

A. Bicentennial Park – Fencing project and stump grinding is near completion.

B. Iron Lake – Buildings & Grounds will be looking into slip-resistant material options for the dock.

C. Parks – Brush and trail cleanup continues throughout the parks.

IV. Capital Improvement Plan: S. Elliott reviewed the 2024-2028 Parks Division of the Capital Improvement Plan. She further explained that the Board of Commissioners has appropriated \$1 million to the Capital Improvement Plan for 2024; these funds are then allocated to several divisions; including the Parks Division.

Motion by Bolton, seconded by Bales, to recommend approval of the 2024 Parks Division of the Capital Improvement Plan in the amount of \$30,000. Motion carried.

V. Updates & Other Business

K. Murphy reported that none of the three SPARKS grants were awarded to the County.

V. Public Comment

No Public Comment offered

VI. Adjournment

Motion by KZ Bolton, seconded by D. Bales, to adjourn the meeting at 11:16 a.m. Motion carried.

DB/KM/rb

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