

**PITTSFIELD CHARTER TOWNSHIP
PARK COMMISSION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 1, 2011
7:00 pm**

MEMBERS PRESENT: C. Chandler, K. Zera, P. Stanton-Kawalec, D. Lennington
MEMBERS ABSENT: T. Tupacz
OTHERS: D. Cooperrider, H. Patel, M. Ryan, N. Patel

1.0 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

2.0 ROLL CALL

A quorum was present. An attendance sheet was passed in accordance with the open meetings act.

3.0 PUBLIC COMMENT I

Motion made by Commissioner Zera to amend the agenda to put public comment next. Commissioner Stanton-Kawalec seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 1 Absent.

Mr. N. Patel from 4733 Sycamore Dr. introduced himself to the Commissioners. He lives near the Hickory Woods Park that is being built. He mentioned to them that he has infestation of bugs and weeds in his back yard and is blaming it on the park not being mowed. He wants a wide buffer. The Commissioners told him that they would look into the matter and will put it on the next agenda.

After he left there was a discussion among the Commissioners. It was decided that they would go to check the "problem" the next day. Director Copperrider was told to keep the Commissioners informed on any problems that come up with the Parks, even if it is by email.

4.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 October 4, 2011

Motion made by Commissioner Lennington to approve the amended minutes for August 3, 2011. Commissioner Zera seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 1 Abstained.
Motion passed

5.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1 HICKORY WOODS PARK DEVELOPMENT

a) Phase 1b Development – update

At the end of the construction season we will know if we need an extension.

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b) Phase 1a Asphalt Cracks – update

On 10-10-11 they cut out the asphalt, dug down below the asphalt, took samples, supposed to be repaved but still not done. Director Cooperrider will get together with Supervisor Grewal and the attorney for the next step.

5.2 PITTSFIED PRESERVE – SITE IMPROVEMENTS, POND MITIGATION

The project is almost done. They will be completing the egress in and out in the spring.

5.3 GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Keep on the agenda.

5.4 INVASIVE PLANT SPECIES REMOVAL – UPDATE, MIKE RYAN

Park Supervisor Ryan said basically the invasive plant species has been an ongoing battle. Phragmites can be treated between Labor Day and frost, and buckthorn is March through June.

5.5 MILLAGE BUDGET 2012

The Budget was adopted by the Board.

5.6 COMMISSIONERS INFORMED ON HOMEOWNER CONCERNS

Will respond to Public Comments.

5.7 LOHR/TEXTILE GREENWAY

This is almost done.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS

None

7.0 REPORTS

7.1 CHAIR’S REPORT

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None

7.2 DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Discussed DTE problem at Hickory Woods Park and lack of Teen Programs in the Park Brochure.

See Director's report attached with attachments.

8.0 PUBLIC COMMENT II

None

9.0 SET NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA

Unfinished Business:

1. (a) Hickory Woods Park Ph 1b Development
(b) Asphalt Cracking Phase 1a
(c) Mr. Patel's complain.
2. Pittsfield Preserve – site improvements, pond mitigation
3. Grants
4. Lohr/Textile Greenway

New Business:

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Zera motioned for adjournment. Commissioner Lennington seconded the motion. All Ayes. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned 8:26pm.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Hyacinthe Patel, Parks and Recreation Recording Secretary
P. Stanton-Kawalec, Secretary, Parks Commission