

Coldsprings Township

Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

A Regular Meeting of the Coldsprings Township Park & Recreation Committee was held on Tuesday, December 6, 2011. Committee Members present: Brenda Lambert, Chuck Vernon, Lynnette Cervone and Wendy Corona arriving late. Not present: Committee Member Marge Bagnell, Grant Writer: Pam Stuckman
Members of the public: 0

Chairperson, Brenda Lambert, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Minutes from the October meeting passed with a motion by Chuck, support by Lynnette and then unanimous approval by the committee. There were no meeting minutes from the November 1, 2011 meeting due to not having a quorum of committee members present at that meeting.

Review of Correspondence:

Brenda confirmed a letter was received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) regarding the Park Renovation grant stating the Township was approved for the passport grant!

The Township received a phone call from a couple living on the north end of Manistee Lake stating they may have an interest in donating a waterfront lot to the Township. Additional discussions between the couple and the Township are pending.

Old Business:

Title search & encroachment update – The required notices ran in the local Kalkaska paper as required by law. After the final notice, the attorney is required to wait 28 days before the default hearing could be scheduled. Brenda will follow-up with Michael Edwards to determine if the hearing has been scheduled.

Donation Post update – Proceeds for the month of October were \$6.03.

Grant application update – A document was passed out to the committee members containing a list of all completed grant applications and future grants currently being reviewed by the committee. (see attachment)

The MDNR Passport grant was approved! Out of the 50 applicants the Township was 2nd highest in overall points. This grant is for \$25,000 with matching funds of \$11,500. At the next Township meeting scheduled for December 12, 2011 a representative from the DNR will be presenting the Township with a cardboard check on behalf of the grant amount.

Brenda also shared with the committee members the article in the Kalkaska Leader on the approval of the grant. Still pending are the resolution and acceptance of the grant and the hiring of an engineer or landscape architect.

A meeting to select the successful applicants for the MNRTF is scheduled for December 7, 2011. With the supplemental package sent to the DNR the Township's point factor increased from 330 to 410, a 24% increase in points! This tied the Township's grant application with two other municipalities for 3rd in overall points.

Local businesses grants or sponsorship update – An update to the document shows the Shell grant (\$5,000) for pathways and accessibility was denied. The TransCanada grant application was sent in with the expectation of a six week waiting period for approval/denial.

New Business – The committee was encouraged to attend the Monday, December 12, 2011 Township meeting.

Next Agenda – Continue to update agenda items through completion

- Title search & encroachment update
- Donation Post update
- Grant application update
- Local businesses grants or sponsorship update
- Hiring of Engineer / Landscape Architect

Other Business – Lynnette shared her new e-mail address with the committee; lynette.cervone@charter.net.

Public Comment – None

Meeting Adjourned: at 7:17 p.m.