

**Meeting of the  
Presque Isle Township Parks and Recreation Committee  
September 27, 2021**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by the Committee Chair, N. Crouch.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**Roll Call:** In attendance were: N. Crouch, R. Kauffman, N. Kinney, J. Matuszak, B. Moran and J. Wiczorkowski

**Audience Present:** Mary Tagliareni, Matt Bedard

**Agenda Approval:** J. Wiczorkowski motioned to approve the agenda with the addition of Township LED sign under New Business. J. Matuszak seconded the motion. All Ayes; motion passed.

**Approval of Minutes** (August 30, 2021) R. Kauffman motioned to accept the minutes as presented. B. Moran seconded. All ayes; motion passed.

**Correspondence:** None

**Audience Comments:** None

**Member Reports**

**Time: 5 Minutes**

**Board Liaison/Events: (J. Wiczorkowski)** Please see attached report.

- J. Wiczorkowski provided a summary from the September 13, 2021 Board of Trustees Meeting. (please see attached report).
- J. Wiczorkowski showed a slide show of the Adopt-A-Road volunteers. She indicated the vests are now Township property and next year the volunteer will have “grabbers”. A lot of trash was picked up and she thanked the volunteers for their assistance.
- The Autumn Lights Festival and Chili Cook-off at the New Lighthouse is set. This festival will be on October 16, 2021 from noon until 3:00 p.m. Due to increasing COVID numbers, the committee will be cognizant of the special procedures of food handling, as chili will be served to attendees in a small bowl and donut holes will be served in a cup. The horse and wagon and petting zoo has been secured. The event will be publicized through social media, flyers, website and the sign in front of the Township Hall. J. Wiczorkowski motioned to approve the \$750 cost for this event. B. Moran seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes; motion approved.

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**Facilities/Maintenance: (M. Bedard)** Report submitted. M. Bedard gave a brief synopsis indicating in addition to his winterization projects, he has been busy refurbishing the Fog Horn Pavilion, cleaning up the cemetery and has been working with the structural engineer to determine the cause and repair of the New Lighthouse vertical crack. (Please see report.)

**Committee Chair (N. Crouch)** Nothing to report at this time.

**Summer Programs (B. Moran)** Nothing to report at this time.

**Advertising/Trails (N. Kinney)** N. Kinney indicated the Presque Isle Association has been clearing trails and maintaining them better. They have placed a map at the start of each trail. Trail maps were distributed. She also noticed a porch railing was “chewed” up but M. Bedard already has that task on his radar. Tourists have been complimentary on the New Lighthouse and Old Lighthouse Parks.

**Fireworks (R. Kauffman)** Nothing to report at this time. J. Wiczorkowski mentioned if K. Theut doesn't do the 5K "Light up the Sky" fireworks fundraiser for 2022, perhaps the P & R Committee or Dork Brothers will undertake this project??

**PITWP Historian: (Jeni Matuszak)** J. Matuszak resolved a complaint about the jockey statue who resides on the porch of the Old Lighthouse. She shared her belief that "Jocko" is part of our civil war history and our maritime history. Additionally, she gave her a copy of the history of Jocko. (Please see attached report.)

**Museum Society Liaison** (M. Tagliareni) No Report.

### **Unfinished Business:**

- Plans for dog park across the street from Township Hall  
R. Kauffman is looking into this idea.
- Shop and Climb Brochures  
A discussion about the rack cards and perhaps the need to modify the number of 2,500 4 x 9 color cards for \$420.08 as well as the Shop and Climb tri-fold, color brochures cost of \$445.88 for 1,000 brochures. The committee also discussed the possibility to "swap" brochures and rack cards with The Alpena Chamber of Commerce, Visitors Bureau and, perhaps, NOAA . Distribute to MI Stop, Woody's, Fireside, etc.

### **New Business:**

- Presque Isle Township Hall LED sign.  
Discussed community events should be publicized on the LED sign – not just meeting notices.

**Adjournment:** With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

**Meeting Reminder:** The next Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting will be Monday, October 25, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted: Bev Huard, Administrative Assistant