

Niles Charter Township
320Bell Road
Niles MI 49120

**Park Commission Meeting 6:30 P.M.
July 10, 2017
Minutes**

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Jill DeLucia at 6:41 pm. Present were Commissioners: A. Wesel, S. Craig, J. Perkins, and W. Perkins.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner W. Perkins motioned to accept the minutes from June 12, 2017, as presented. Seconded by Commissioner J DeLucia. All in favor, motion carried 5-0.
3. **Petitions From the Public:** Citizen Casey Anderson reported to Commissioner Angela Wesel that a motorcycle had fallen into the creek across the bank in Community Park. Trustee Vella noted that the Denise from the Township will address this with the resident as this is a DEQ issue. Angela also noted she is waiting for a return call from Denise to address the leaf dumping in the Brandywine Creek `preserve area. Chris Vella will follow-up.
4. **Correspondence: none**
5. **Treasurer's Report:** Commissioner W. Perkins reported there was no change since the last meeting.
6. **Park Maintenance Report per Township Trustee Christine Vella:** Regarding the ongoing erosion as reported for the past two meetings by Jill DeLucia, Chris Vella noted that Jim Stover said Hollenback will address the issues.
7. **Park Reports**
 - a. Community Park: Commissioner Wesel reported Casey Anderson is a regular visitor to the park and often walks the trails and picks up trash. Than you citizen Anderson! Also, Wesel reported the bridges Harry Thibault made have been installed and now there are more to install. She also reported a newly fallen tree needs to be addressed on the trail.
 - b. Fulkerson Park: Commissioner W. Perkins reported he has tried numerous times to get more quotes for the basketball court asphalt projects. Motion by Wesel and seconded by J. Perkins to accept the original quote from Arnt Construction. All in favor, motion carried. .
 - c. South Fireman's Park: Commissioner W. Perkins reported all is well and in full use.
 - d. Samson Park: Commissioner J. Perkins reports all is well.
 - e. N. Fireman's Park: Commissioner J. Perkins reports all is well.
 - f. Trail Report: See written report submitted by Chair DeLucia.
8. **Old Business**

- a. Sampson Park Bike Racks: Motion by S. Craig to allot \$150 per installation for new bike racks and to increase the purchase allotment up to \$1,500 for the commercial grade racks. Seconded by A. Wesel. All in favor, motion carried. J. Perkins will follow-up with C. Vella to place the order and use the tax exempt status of the Township.
- b. Trail erosion: C. Vella will follow-up and email parks commissioners.
- c. Fulkerson ball field lines: A. Wesel will follow up with an estimate and needs assessment.

9. New Business

- a. Commissioner Wesel will be assigned to Fulkerson Park allowing S. Craig to continue with meeting minutes and allow more time for interstate trail activity and representation.
- b. Community Open House July 31: S. Craig and J. DeLucia have been working on promotions for attendance and refreshments. All commissioners are encouraged to attend and help host the event from 4:00 to 7:00 pm! A motion from A. Wesel to allow for S. Craig to spend up to \$200 on refreshments and supplies for the event. Seconded by J. Perkins All in favor, motion carried 5-0. S. Craig will contact Shelton's for a donation as well.

Motion for adjournment by Commissioner A. Wesel. Seconded by J. Perkins. All in favor, motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm
Submitted by: Commissioner Craig