

Parks and Recreation Commission

July 30, 2008
Fillmore Street Complex
Conference Room D
4:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call: Bosgraaf, President
Sabine, Vice President
Kuyers, Secretary
Geerlings
Brown
Unema
Kortman
Jonas
Statema
Miedema
3. Absences (excused/unexcused)
4. Additions/Deletions to Agenda
5. Approval of Minutes
 - a) Approve the minutes of the Commission's July 2, 2008 regular meeting.
6. Communications
 - a) Receive the July 11, 2008 letter and check from the Walking Horse Association of Michigan regarding a \$250 donation for Eastmanville Farm equestrian facilities.
 - b) Receive letters of support for the proposed Farm Education Center at Eastmanville Farm:
 - July 4 letter from Frank Fear, Senior Associate Dean in the College of Agriculture and Natural resources at Michigan State University.
 - July 11 letter from Jody Pollok-Newsom, Executive Director of the Michigan Corn Growers Association.
 - July 17 letter from Ken Nobis, President of the Michigan Milk Producers Association.
 - July 21 letter from David VanDyke, President of the Ottawa County Farm Bureau.
 - July 22 letter from Dave Smith, Executive Director of the Michigan Vegetable Council.
 - c) Review comment cards received since previous meeting.

d) Review email comments received since previous meeting.

7. Public Heard

8. Financial Reports

- a) Receive the report of Park and Recreation expenditures through June 30, 2008.
- b) Receive the revised 2009 Parks and Recreation proposed budget summary. Update by Parks Director on status of budget proposal.

9. Staff Reports

- a) Director's Report
- b) Park Operations Report

10. Committee Reports

- a) Receive the report of the Planning Committee meeting of July 21, 2008.
- b) Receive report of the Park 12 Advisory Council meeting of July 29, 2008 (not enclosed).
- c) Receive the report of the Public Relations Committee meeting of July 30, 2008 (not enclosed).

11. Old Business

Project Updates (see Planning and Development Summary Report enclosed)

- a) Miscellaneous updates

12. New Business

- a) Receive proposed lease agreement with the West Michigan Park Association for parking areas at Park 12.
- b) Educational Farm: Consider moving ahead with a fund-raising feasibility study for development of an educational farm facility at Eastmanville Farm as identified in the park master plan.

13. Public Heard

14. Commissioners Heard

15. Closed Session to discuss property acquisition

16. Next regular meeting date: September 3, 2008 Location: Fillmore Street Complex

17. Adjournment