

**KOCHVILLE TOWNSHIP PARKS & RECREATION
COMMITTEE MINUTES
August 5, 2015**

Meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Members in Attendance – (4) Debra LaFond, Chuck Pappas,
Kevin Machata, Mary Breeden
Absent (1) – Spencer Lindberg
Guests in Attendance (2) – Vern Jump, Emily Gingrich

PUBLIC COMMENT: Vern thanked the township for the new Kochville Pathway signs. Emily advised on the recent repairs and re-coating on the Bay Road bike path. Other improvements include the tree trimming along the pathway and changes in playground (Elmer Lang) equipment (swings taken down and temporary slide in place). Mulch has been placed in playground. Emily suggested looking into grants for new playground equipment. Soccer organization using Elmer Lang has signed a two-year contract. Parking will be improved in Elmer Lang – asphalt will be donated – and parking spaces will be added.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mary moved; Kevin seconded; agenda approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes for May 6, 2015 – Deb moved; Kevin seconded; minutes approved. Minutes for June 3, 2015 – Kevin moved; Deb seconded; minutes approved.

Committee Reports:
No committee reports.

Unfinished Business:

None

Old Business

- A. Kochville Kleanup Day** – Kleanup Day considered successful.
- B. Bicycle Rental Plan** – There has been discussion with a local business concerning a possible bike rental program. Questions still need to be addressed, such as liability.
- C. Disc Golf** – Emily advised that the golf would have to be set up outside a Consumers right-of-way. A site with enough space needs to be identified.

New Business

- A. Davenport College Closing** - College is closing its facility in Kochville Township.
- B. Krossroad Park Pond** – There was discussion concerning the recent accident.
- C. Trail Article (Friday, July 24, 2015)** – Chuck presented information on the Saginaw Futures project for downtown Saginaw trail.
- D. T-Shirts** – It was suggested that the t-shirts be handed out at township events, farmers market, soccer games, etc. T-shirts cannot be sold, but donations can be suggested.
- E. Trail Work Update (Bay City to Zilwaukee)** – Chuck observed the site and it appears that some work is being done. Subject will be tabled until next meeting.

Emily is looking at some small grants to work on this winter. Playground equipment, bathrooms at Elmer Lang, signs, and an ice rink were the ideas suggested. Committee agreed that the ideas are worth pursuing.

John Cammin – guest from the Saginaw County Parks and Recreation Committee – introduced himself and spoke of the various programs and facilities administered by his committee.

Board Comments: None

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, November 4, 2015 @ 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:35 p.m.

Mary Breedon, Secretary

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