

**BARRY COUNTY
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**

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**Barry County Parks and Recreation Board
Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.
Tyden Center
Barry County Community Room
121 South Church Street, Hastings MI 49058**

Minutes:

1. Call to Order: Chair Catherine Getty called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call: Present: Jim Cary, Catherine Getty, Don Hutchens, Frank Jesensek, Doug Klein, Patricia Johns, Rick Moore, Dan Parker, Joyce Snow, and Ron Welton. Absent None.
3. Approval of Agenda: Motion that the agenda be approved and seconded. Ayes all. Motion passed.
4. Approval of Minutes of April 19, 2018 meeting. Motion that the agenda be approved and seconded. Ayes all. Motion passed.
5. Public Comment: None.
6. Old Business:
 - a. Election of Secretary – General discussion of position, Dan Parker removed his name for consideration. Jim Cary nominated Patricia Johns for secretary, seconded by Rick Moore. Ayes all. Motion Passed.
 - b. Inventory of items stored in Tyden Building basement - Ron Welton will inventory, Rick has pop-up tent, folding table, 2 chairs, and Park and Recreation banner at his house. Jim has some signs at his shop. Pop-up tent has broken pole and is unusable, Ron directed to order replacement, not to exceed \$500. Ayes All.
 - c. McKeown Bridge Park – Hall Septic has agreed to honor price of past 2 years for cleaning and pumping. Vault will be pumped before Memorial Day holiday weekend. Paper holder holds 4 rolls and that is not enough to last week to week. Toilet will need to be checked more frequently, especially during use season. Motion by Rick Moore, seconded by Don Hutchens to look into replacing plastic stool riser and seat with a stainless steel unit. Ayes all. Motion passed. Numerous dead trees along walkways need to be removed before they fall in visitors or infrastructure. Dan will check with Road Commission to see what the might be able to do or recommend.

7. New Business:

- a. Bills – None
- b. Budget – Executive committee will schedule meeting to look at budget.
- c. MDOT/Quaker Bridge – Patricia presented MDOT materials concerning project. M66 at bridge location in Nashville will be closed 6-8 weeks during construction. Motion by Patricia Johns, seconded by Rick Moore to approve improvements to Paul Henry trail as included in MDOT proposal. Ayes All. Motion Passed.
- d. Group photo – Photo taken.
- e. New Member packet – Catherine expressed need to develop materials for new member orientation and will develop list of items for inclusion.
- f. Rolling Forward MI Bicycle Conference – Patricia will be attending conference at GVSU in Grand Rapids, June 1-2.
- g. Upcoming events
 1. June 9 – Rockin the Paul Henry, Nashville – Patricia reported would take place rain or shine with availability of VFW pavilion and described event plans. Will run from 9am to 1pm with volunteers requested to report at 8.
 2. July 24 – No Family Left Indoors, McKeown Bridge – Patricia reported need to develop activities. Fishing works well, don't plan on kite flying.

8. Committee Reports:

- a. Executive – Next meeting will be held at McKeown Bridge Park, make sure location change is posted.
- b. Trails – Rick invested 8 hours in volunteer time.
Marketing/Special Projects – Patricia reported all of our grant award nominations have been approved by the County Board of Commissioners. Joyce requested she be added to committee.

9. Limited Public Comment – None

10. Board Member Comments – None

11. Adjourn – Meeting adjourned by chair at 7:40pm.