Village of Elberta Parks and Recreation Commission
Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2016

Secretary Emily V. called the meeting to order at 7:05.

Present: Cathy A., Andy B., Emily V.
Absent: Bill O., Michele C.
Guests: Ryan King, Sue Oseland
Liaison: Bill S.

Approval of February Minutes
Motion 1st Cathy A. **Motion 2nd** Andy B.
Ayes All **Nays** None **Motion passed**
Changes None

Approval of March Agenda
Motion 1st Cathy A. **Motion 2nd** Andy B.
Ayes All **Nays** None **Motion passed**
Changes

Financial Secretary's Report Approval
Motion 1st Emily V. **Motion 2nd** Andy B.
Ayes All **Nays** None **Motion passed**
Notes: Crossed over the fiscal year. Included year end report and approved budget for '16. Amendment required because we turned down endowment payout (had GTLRC roll it into principal). Discussion of question of giving/lending money toward Solstice Fest. Cathy says one requirement from state would be for Council to approve a policy and adopt an ordinance regarding lending/donating money to outside entities.

Correspondence Catalog.

Public Comment None

Committee Reports

Elberta Dunes South: Discussion in Ag. 2
Farmers' Market (Sue O.) Sue attended Michigan Farmers' Market conference. In particular learned good things about USDA food safety regulations that she will be conveying to vendors. Sue made herself some EFM biz cards
Beach Some sort of jetty revealed on Frankfort Beach about a mile north.
Parks (Bill S.)
Elberta Historical Preservation: Andy reported that the new historical signs for Waterfront Park were being worked on at Bayside.

Unfinished Business

1. **Welcome to Elberta Sign** Nothing to report
2. **Bingo/Movies:** Cathy reported on projector research; a bright and high res enough projector for outdoor and indoor use will put us over $500. Discussed requirements for audio as well. Cathy will bring some choices for next meeting.
3. **EDNA Composting Toilet** No movement

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New Business

1. **EFM Food Truck fee structure** Sue researched fees for food trucks at other markets. In general, food trucks pay double the regular farmer vendor fee; sometimes the same, sometimes by amount of space taken. Looked at Eastern Market, Lansing, Flint. Suggests raising regular fee in anticipation of improved facilities and because we're implementing food trucks anyway. From $12/day to $15 day for regular vendors; seasonal $180 to $200. Big incentive to spring for seasonal; after 12 weeks it's gravy. $25/day and $300 for season for food trucks. They can probably cover that fee in three or four sales. Discussed FT policies. FTs will be certified by USDA or Health Dept. Food must be prepared in a licensed facility (either the truck or elsewhere and reheated on the truck if necessary). Must provide their certification with their application. Truck must be in its spot by 7:30 because they will be located at the back of the park. Everything sold out of the truck must be homemade (i.e., no prepackaged fries; must be self-cut). If generator is needed, can't be louder than 80 decibels. Motion by Cathy, 2nd by Andy, to assign vendor fees as described above. This will also help the market break even. All ayes. No nays. Motion passed.
2. **EDNA** Sue and Cathy met with GTRLC folks beginning of March. Kiosk signs will be in next week. First weekend of May, the 7th, to construct the kiosk. Don't need footings. Cedar 2x4s. Honor Lumber will deliver that morning. Donuts. Cathy will donate concrete. Rain date 14th. Someone should go out in advance and predig the post holes.
3. **Invasive species grant** They don't need support for phragmites. Baby's breath on Elberta Beach will probably be dealt with in July, will let us know if they need help. Garlic mustard pull in May or June in EDNA. Learned that garlic mustard interferes with morel mycelium. Sign about garlic mustard disposal down by where we dispose of yard waste. Sign for no mountainbikes. Put poison ivy signs in strategic areas to prevent people from leaving the trail. Looked at bench SEEDS proposes to build for us on EDNA at Betsie Valley overlook. They will harvest black locust from the site to create cribbing to stabilize trail. We just have to tell GTRLC to cut them a check. March 18th Steve Lagerquist and Bill Watson will be walking the trail 10 am. Will have some sort of ribbon cutting event.

Public Comment Ryan King: Teachers may be able to get projectors at a discount. Garlic mustard collecting contest. Suggests throwing a little ag fair at the Market Park or Waterfront Park.

Adjournment

Motion 1st Emily V. **Motion 2nd** Andy B.
Ayes All **Nays** None. **Motion passed**
Time: 8:26