

AMENDED

**VILLAGE OF HOLLY
PARKS COMMISSION MEETING
Minutes of January 4, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Village Parks Commission of Holly was called to order by Co-Chairperson McCanney at 7:00 pm in the Board of Education Room located at the Karl Richter Center, 920 Baird St, Holly Michigan

Commissioners Present

Gayle Peltonen
Katrina Berger
Sarah McCanney
Chris Summers
Joe Hutchins
Amber Kier

Staff Present

Jerry Walker
Brian Klaassen
Kris Snow

Others Present

Josh Murphy
Sherlynn Everly
Nick Klempp
Scott Schillag

Excused Board Members

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Snow called the roll.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Co-Chairperson McCanney requests the agenda be amended to add #5 Budget Discussion.

Motion by Hutchins support by Peltonen to approve the agenda as amended.

Roll call is as follows:

Voting for; Peltonen, McCanney, Summers, Hutchins, Berger, Kire

Voting Against; none

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Motion by Summers support by

Berger to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

OLD BUSINESS

#1 Master Plan

Co-Chairperson McCanney states the plan of attack on the Parks Master Plan has shifted since Chris Rankin is no longer on the Commission to participate in rewriting. Co-Chairperson McCanney has all the notes the Commission has put into it. Co-Chairperson McCanney states that the plan does not need to be completely re-written. The Commission has agreed it just needs their updates implemented and the Master Plan re-typed.

Co-Chairman McCanney asks Village Manager Jerry Walker if he has any updates on the discussion they had about the Master Plan. Village Manager Walker said since we are just updating, he reached out to DDA Director Nick Klempf to assist with the updating and re-typing since he has some experience in this area. Village Manager Walker explains that DDA Director Klempf will meet with the Parks Chairperson and go over all the updates and eventually bring back a finished plan for the Commission to approve. Co-Chairperson McCanney states she and rest of the Commission would like to take DDA Director Klempf up on the offer to do it and she will give him all notes at the end of the meeting. Village Manager Walker said they will go ahead and schedule a Public Hearing for February at which time a draft of the Master Plan will be available.

#2 The H at Ganshaw Park

Co-Chairperson McCanney passes out a picture of different ideas for the H at Ganshaw Park. Discussion of the pros and cons follows. Commissioner Kire states that she would be willing to pool her own group of volunteers to take care of the H as it exists now with the flowers. Commissioner Kire is going to give Director Klaassen her phone number and get her in contact with Jennifer. Co-Chairperson McCanney requested a report from Commissioner Kire at the next meeting.

Co-Chairperson McCanney tabled the H at Ganshaw park until next meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS

#1 Consideration of Election of Officers

Co-Chairperson McCanney states that the Chairperson for the Parks Commission is vacant. She asks if any of the other Commissioners are interested in being the Chairperson. Commissioner Hutchins states he is interested in filling the position. Co-Chairman McCanney states she is interested in keeping her Co-Chairman position but does not want to take on more than that.

Motion by McCanney Support by Summers to elect Commissioner Joe Hutchins to Chairperson of the Holly Parks Commission.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Hutchins Support by Summers to elect Co-Chairperson McCanney to remain as Co-Chairperson.

Motion Carried.

#2 Consideration of National Fitness Campaign.

Rudy from the National Fitness Campaign gives a video presentation from Chicago about installing a Fitness Court in the Village of Holly. Presenter stated that we meet all the qualifications to receive a \$30,000 grant for this Fitness Court.

Co-Chairperson McCanney asks about the proposed location of the Fitness Court. Village Manager Walker explains that after considering Crapo Park, Waterworks Park, and Cyclone Park they decided the best location for this Fitness Court would be Cyclone Park. Village Manager Walker goes on to say that Cyclone Park is a possible location for the new village office and that if

that happens it will breathe new life into Cyclone Park and thus would make a great location for the Fitness Court. Village Manager Walker states that in his discussions with Rudy he made it clear we are not interested in doing the Fitness Court unless we get maximum or near maximum grant. Co-Chairperson McCanney brings up Vintage Baseball that is currently held at Cyclone Park and is concerned about there being enough room. Village Manager Walker assures her there is ample space. Chairperson Hutchins would like the surrounding homes to be informed of whatever happens at the park and get their input. Co-Chairperson McCanney asks for an update from Scott Schillag on his Vintage Baseball plans. Mr. Schillag assures the Commission that with everything that is being proposed at Cyclone Park there will be plenty of space for Vintage Baseball. Mr. Schillag goes on to explain his plans for drawing more teams to Holly. Chairperson Hutchins asks Village Manager Walker what he needs from the Commission to move forward. Village Manager Walker explains all he needs is a consensus to move forward. Commissioner Kire asks Village Manager Walker about other grant funding. Village Manager Walker states he has meetings scheduled with Lume. They have made a commitment through the application process of \$50,000 to the Holly Parks spread out over the next 5 years, he is trying to get that accelerated. The Commission agrees unanimously to move forward with the Fitness Court idea.

#3 Consideration of Shiawassee River Trail Coalition Liaison

Former Chairperson of the Parks Commission Chris Rankin held this position. The Commission needs a new liaison.

Village Manager Walker states that the Director of the Shiawassee River Trail Coalition will be at next month's meeting. Commissioners agree to table until next month.

#4

Spring Clean Up

Co-Chairperson McCanney states that the Dickens Festival used a community service organization called ASP. It was successful and she strongly recommends the Parks Commission use them. They require two month's notice and the location, in order to use their services. Commissioner Peltonen agreed to be the contact person for ASP.

Spring Clean- up is set for Sunday, April 16th

Walk through will meet at Waterworks Park on Sunday, March 19th at 12:00 p.m.

#5

Budget

Co-Chairperson McCanney proposes the money that was used on Music in the Park now be allocated to Hollyween.

REPORTS

Director Klaassan reports he has a meeting coming up with a kayak company interested in setting up kayak rentals at Waterworks Park.

The slide at Lakeside is going to be replaced. He is going to get in contact with the company that is installing the new play structure and try to get a time frame for the

project.
He said Budget will be discussed at next meeting.

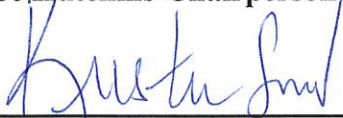
BOARD COMMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT:

With nothing further to discuss, Chairperson Hutchins adjourned the meeting at 9:40 p.m.
Next Meeting is on February 1 ,2023

Joe Hutchins-Chairperson



Kristen Snow, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer