

Manistee Parks Commission

Meeting Of August 18, 2022

A meeting of the Manistee Parks Commission was called to order by the Chair on Thursday, August 18, 2022, at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers, City Hall 70 Maple Street Manistee MI 49660.

Members Present	Lani Rozga, Kelly Greve, Liz Laskey, Karin Maue, Karen Peltola
Members Absent	Bob Brooks and Tim O'Connor
Others Present	Katie Trivisonno, Jeff Mikula, Bil Gambill
Approval of Agenda	Kelly Greve motioned to approve agenda, second by Liz Laskey. All in favor.
Public Comment	City Manager Bill Gambill discussed softball field and list of park upgrades. Jeff Mikula would like to see a parks project list and set priorities. Lani Rozga offered to help with grant writing.
Approval of Minutes	Lani Rozga motioned to table minutes from July 21, 2022, second by Karin Maue. All in favor
Correspondence	None
Committee Reports	<p><u>Disc Golf update</u>-The baskets will be installed soon. The park needs a name. Karen Peltola suggested naming the park after Century Boats or local Charter Boats. The Commission agreed on the name First Street Beach Family Disc Golf.</p> <p><u>First Street Softball Fields</u>-Jeff Mikula and Bill Gambill met with the men's softball league. A committee was formed to coordinate volunteer efforts. The field fence has been repaired.</p> <p><u>9th Street Boat Launch</u>-Karen Peltola reported on their visit to Onekama's ADA kayak/canoe launch. Jeff Mikula mentioned 9th street boat launch would be the best location for a future kayak launch site.</p> <p><u>5th Avenue Tennis Courts</u>-Nets are installed. Jeff Mikula stated the court location is not ideal due to the surrounding sand. He would like to get community feedback before making any decisions on reconstruction or removal.</p>

Old Business

Kelly Greve discussed goals for each park and set priorities, everyone works together and follow same plan. Jeff Mikula discusses the new Adirondack Memorial Chairs. First Street Beach paving project will take place Spring 2023.

Tetherball update-DPW is constructing new posts.

Morton Park-Jeff Mikula gave an update on equipment purchase. Kelly Greve suggested getting feedback from residents. **A work session has been scheduled for September 8.** The Commission would like to invite members of the Morton Park community to attend.

First Street Courts-The hoop and backboards need to be replaced with long term, durable backboards. Benches are very low to ground and distressed; they will need replacing. Court line markings should be repainted.

Rite Side Design-They are moving forward with structure installation this fall. A dedication is scheduled for September.

Lions Pavilion-Liz Laskey would like to see the rental income and suggested the funds go to the Parks Commission.

New Business

Commission Park Tour-Tour is schedule for October 13, 2022 at 5:30.

Round Table Discussion Man Made Lake Porta Johns-Heavily used, Needs additional servicing throughout the week.

Man Made Lake Lot-Jeff discussed the history of the vacant lot.

Hampton and Rotary Park Boundaries-Jeff Mikula gave a visual description of the property lines.

History of a Park-Karin Maue would like to form a committee to provide a brief history of all the parks.

Adjournment

Motion by Lani Rozga, second by Kelly Greve to adjourn meeting at 7:13pm. All in favor.

Next Meeting Scheduled for September 15th @ 5:30pm in City Council Chambers.

Katie Trivisonno

Recording Secretary

