



**ACME TOWNSHIP
PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Thursday, December 01, 2011, 7:00 p.m.
Acme Township Hall
6042 Acme Road, Williamsburg MI 49690**

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Members present: H.Yamaguchi (Chair), S.Feringa, M. Guy, O. Sherberneau, M.Timmins
Members excused: None
Staff present: W. Kladder, Township Supervisor
N. Edwardson, Recording Secretary

Limited Public Comment:

Virginia Tegel, 4810 Bartlett Road, was pleased to see all the items on the agenda. She commented on a recent conference that she was able to attend. The speaker was from Montana and had established a organization about public land. Especially to ensure public access and exposure to uses and abuses of public land because of lost funding dues to losts in the tax bases. Tegel said the conference validated an idea that she brought up at the last meeting of how the Old Mission Lighthouse is rented out to volunteers on a weekly basis to provide a presence on site and complete various duties. She said the monies charged - \$150.00/weekly-offset utility and upkeep costs. She said the facility is rented out year round which ensures traffic to the park is monitored and any noncompliant activity can be reported.

Tegel also “challenged the creativity” of the Parks & Rec advisory by asking “How would you prepare for a group of 200 or more in the park at one time??” She said the Resort has the annual Winter Festival, we have the Vasa race in February. These activities could begin in the park so how would we accommodate the people.

B. Received and File:

1. Notes from [11/18/11](#)

C. Consider approval of the [10-28-10](#) meeting minutes:

Motion by Feringa. Support by Sherberneau to approve the minutes of 10-28-10 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

D. New Business:

Kladder reviewed the role of the Parks & Recreation Advisory committee in relationship to the Planning Commission, Board of Trustees, Shoreline, Marina, Garden Club, Hoxsie House and etc. He talked about the operation, maintenance and additional planning for the existing Parks & Rec faciiliites.

E. Old Business:

Yamaguchi reviewed possible 2012 projects referring to the Parks System Plan 2008-2013. He asked committee members to make a list of five (5) things they would like to see accomplished next year. Yamaguchi asked the members to turn their lists into the office by January 11th so that staff can tabulate the results and direct the most effort to the highest-scoring items on the list.

Public Comment/Any Other Business:

The next scheduled meeting is Thursday, January 19, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. at the township.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.