



**ACME TOWNSHIP
SHORELINE PARK AND PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Monday, June 12, 2006, 4:30 p.m.
Acme Township Hall
6042 Acme Road, Williamsburg MI 49690**

Meeting called to Order at 4:40 p.m.

- Members present:** P. Salathiel, P. Brink (Co-Chairs) L. Brohol, K. Guy, D. Krause, J. Maitland, O. Sherberneau
- Members excused:** C. Abernethy, F. Gingras
- Members absent:** N. Knopf
- Staff present:** N. Edwardson, Recording Secretary
M. McDonough, GT Regional Conservancy

A. Correspondence: None

B. Consider approval of the May 10, and May 23, 2006, meeting minutes:

MOTION BY GUY. SECONDED BY KRAUSE TO APPROVE THE MAY 10, 2006, AND MAY 23, 2006, MINUTES AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. Limited Public Comment: None

D. Reports:

a. New committee members:

Salathiel welcomed two new members, Louann Brohol and Jim Maitland. A third new member, Kevin Kelly, will be joining at the next scheduled meeting.

b. Meeting with Keith Charters and Matt McDonough:

A lunch/meeting was recently held with members of the committee and Keith Charters and Matt McDonough to discuss the committee’s vision and to seek guidance on funding. McDonough also met with Glenn Chown of the Conservancy. Chown feels that we should approach all three landowners at one time. He believes in millages and strongly urges the township to follow in that direction. He was enthusiastic about the vision of this advisory committee.

c. Development of “skeleton communication plan” for potential donors:

Guy passed around a draft of a communications plan to aid in talking with potential funders. A separate, more specific communication plans will be needed for a millage vote and philanthropic fundraising effort.

E. Update on current properties for sale:

McDonough had a meeting scheduled with Noelle Knopf, owner of Willow Beach, which is currently listed for sale. Knopf was unable to attend. McDonough will be out of town for a week but will try to reschedule with Knopf. Willow Beach is the key parcel in the land that the township would like to acquire. Salathiel reported that it was rumored that the Shoreline Inn would be up for sale in the next year.

F. Discuss vision and action steps:

Brink asked if there were volunteers to serve as co-leaders of the four “vision and action” groups. Krause and Maitland will to the Master Plan for Acme shoreline and related complimentary efforts. Guy will co-lead the funding strategies. She will contact Gingras to ask him to work with her on this group. Maitland will head up the Dialogue with current property owners. McDonough will work with him. Brohol would like to work on the Motivated and informed citizenry group. Salathiel will contact Abernethy to work with Brohol.

G. Other Business:

McDonough gave a brief presentation about the Trust Land Alliance (TLA). A group with the theme “Land for People” who work with organizations on financing with millages. Their threshold is nationwide for open space. Several mailings are done to only registered voters who are active voters. There are also surveys done. The cost for this service can range from \$20,000-\$30,000.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:50 p.m.