

ACME TOWNSHIP

SHORELINE PARK AND PRESERVATION ADVISORY MINUTES

Wednesday, October 26, 2011 4:30 p.m. Acme Township Hall

6042 Acme Road, Williamsburg MI 49690

Meeting called to Order at 4:34 p.m.

Members present: K. Guy, F. Gingras (Co-chairs) C. Abernethy, C. Abernethy, P. Brink (joined

by phone) C. Fry, J. Maitland, P. Salathiel O. Sherberneau, J. Watts

Members excused: J. Aukerman, B. Garvey, D. Krause, K. Magliochetti

Staff present: W. Kladder, Township Supervisor

S. Vreeland, Township Manager N. Edwardson, Recording Secretary

1. Approval of Minutes from August 17, 2011 meeting:

Motion by Sherberneau. Seconded by Abernethy to approve the August 17, 2011, meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Limited Public Comment: None

3. Business

1. Land Acquisition Update – Megan Olds

Olds said that the Conservancy took out a Line of Credit to purchase the Sun and Sand. Because of a timing issue details are still being worked out for the Beach Club and the Marina.

2. Fundraising Update – Megan Olds

Olds passed out a <u>handout</u> on "Phase 3 Acme Shoreline Costs and Sources of Funding". She said it was a "work in progress" with several columns "to be determined". Salathiel asked will if anything be different in this funding cycle? Olds said it is a very "competitive climate". Acme Township is the largest receiver of a DNRE trust grant.

3. Deconstruction for Phase 2/Knollwood Update – Kladder

Kladder said deconstruction has not started as we don't own the properties currently. Kladder said that Acme Township needs to make a decision about the future of the Hoxsie (Knollwood) house in Bayside Park. We have a \$5000.00 Rotary Grant for planning and evaluation. A list was designed of possible decision making factors for Township Board members. Board members are ask to indicate how important each factor is on a 0-5 scale. After the responses are received a list will be compiled to see what factors rise to the top for the Board as a whole.

Kladder commented on the study that was done on the Hoxsie house by Eastern University students in May. He also talked about the Au Sable Institute of Environmental studies that carried out an afternoon survey of the biological features of the original acres of the parkland in June.

Kladder has proposed guidelines for a new Harbor Advisory Board. Some of the preliminary responsibilities would include fundraising for a preliminary engineering study. He is currently accepting applications.

4. Park Stewardship

Kladder said the Shoreline park will be open 24 hours every day. The Planning Commission will be working on ordinances dealing with "Public Events", answering questions like hours of operation.

5. 2012 Meeting schedule

Guy said it was decided at the last meeting to have by-monthly meetings. With the holidays approaching it was decided to not meet until January of 2012.

6. Communication – Key Messages

Guy commented that she would like advisory members to take a key thought or commitment with them after each meeting. We came up with three, one, being that this advisory is only a part of several committees all working together for "part of the larger vision, secondly the Shoreline is open 24 hours, year around and the third is to be looking for people to be members of the Marina Operations Board.

Virginia Tegel, 4810 Bartlett Road, thanked the advisory for the astounding job. She is amazed at what this advisory has accomplished and looks forward to the future.

It was decided to have the next meeting Wednesday, January 18, 2012, at 4:30 pm.

Adjourned at 5:30p.m.