



ACME TOWNSHIP
SHORELINE PARK AND PRESERVATION ADVISORY MINUTES
Wednesday, July 18, 2012, 4:30 p.m.
Acme Township Hall
6042 Acme Road, Williamsburg MI 49690

Meeting called to Order at 4:34 p.m with the Pledge of Allegiance

Members present: K. Guy (Co-chairs), C. Abernethy, J. Aukerman, D. Fry, J. Maitland, O. Sherbereneau,
Members excused: P. Brink, F. Gingras, D. Krause, P. Salathiel, J. Watts
Staff present: S. Vreeland, Township Manager
W. Kladder, Supervisor
M. Olds, GTRLC
M. McDonough, GTRLC
N. Edwardson, Recording Secretary

Public Comment

Virginia Tegel, 4810 Bartlett Rd, wanted to thank the advisory for their on going fine work. She was thrilled that the Shoreline advisory was supporting the purchase of the Coldwell Banker building. She also was very pleased with the motion to establish an partnership endowment fund at the Community Foundation. She wanted to ask Megan Olds about the recent survey that the Conservancy along with TART trails regarding walkability and bicycling through our corridor.

Gordie LaPointe, 6375 Plum Drive, wanted to express his support of the Shoreline project. It had been rumored in the community that he did not like the project. In the beginning he had written a letter of support and was very much in favor. He believes the advisory is doing a fine job but does have a few concerns. Originally funds needed for the Shoreline would come from private donations and grants but not all of it did. He thinks the public has a right to know how much tax money has been used . He would strongly encourage public information update commuications.

1. [Approval of Minutes from May 16, 2012 meeting:](#)

Motion by Maitland. Seconded by Sherbereneau to approve the May 16, 2012, meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Committee Membership – Welcome and Farewell

Guy said we welcome one new member, David Fry, to the committee and welcome back Jean Aukerman and Jeff Watts who have been reappointed for new 3-year terms. David's wife, Claudia, is stepping off the committee but continues to be fully supportive of the Shoreline project. We also bid farewell to Kathy Magliochetti who is cheering us on and on.

3. Business

1. Phase 3 Fundraising – Megan Olds

Olds provided a "[handout](#)" for Acme Shoreline Park, Phase 3 Budget and Revenues. She reviewed with the advisory.

a. MEDC Grant

Vreeland and Olds are working with, Jean Derenzy, on this grant. At a recent meeting it was decided to roll into the grant deconstruction and acquisition costs for the Beach Club and for the Coldwell Banker building. On July 26th Acme Township will be hosting at the site. Money in hand possibly in three months.

b. BA Auction offer – August 16

Olds recently attended a ABA meeting where they offered to host an auction as a Phase 3 fundraiser. But because of the timeline it was decided to just have a open house. Olds commented that we could have volunteers there to answer questions and address concerns/issues.

c. Garvey Barn party offer

Olds said that Garveys have offered the use of their barn for a party next spring.

2. Communications – Aukerman

a. Communications

Aukerman said we feel it is very crucial to communicate everything about the Shoreline that is accurate. She said that there is a “Q and A” document about Acme’s Bayside Park Expansion that has been a work in progress for several months. Team members received a copy today by email. She said this document carries key messages relative to the Shoreline.

Aukerman said that Guy and Gingras have written an article for the Record Eagle Forum that will be in Friday, July 20th edition. This goes into detail about Phase 3 of the Acme Shoreline Project.

Aukerman discussed various ways to get information out.

b. Signage update - Olds

Olds said the signs will be up the first week of August. They will fit the existing sign posts.

3. Beach Work Bee – Guy

Guy reported that Salathiel had suggested having volunteers do projects at the beach. Kladder said that several residents had commented on the silt fence. It was removed once but had to be put back. Henkel has created a list of projects to be done. Kladder said a team from Northwestern Bank spread the chips out on the playground in Saylor Park. It was decided to forward this information about beach projects to the Park and Rec advisory.

4. Updates

a. Deconstruction - Kladder

Kladder commented that we have not progressed a lot further. He met with Mark Breederland and Hans VanSumeren at the Beach Club to look at the [deck/seawall](#) there to discuss whether there were good engineering/environmental reasons for it to remain or whether it should come down. The response was to remove it. Neither expects it to negatively impact the costal pulic shoreline. It is a big thick sturdy fortress of a structure above ground.

b. Shoreline Corridor Placemaking - Aukerman

Aukerman reviewed the last few weeks of activities for the Leadership Placemaking team. The results of the meetings held can be found at www.acmeshores.org.

5. Election of Shoreline Advisory Committee Officers 2012-13

Guy tabled this until the next meeting.

Adjourned at 6:10 p.m.