

## **PARK & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

SEPTEMBER 7, 2006 Meeting

Volunteer's members in attendance were, Janet Clark, Carolyn Chipman, Nancy Stephan, Roger Carroll, Barb Waldron, Richard Thomas, Cheryl Thomas, Bob Baldwin Diane & Jack Richards, Sonny Robinson, Joey Robinson and Gary Gerber – Architect

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Everyone introduced them selves.

The minutes of the August 1, 2006 meeting were presented and corrected.

C. Chipman moved supported by Richard Thomas to accept the minutes of the August 1, 2006 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Edited the request for ground clearing and fill of the township hall park.

The following is a list of what was discussed:

### **1. SHUFFLEBOARD COURT**

Nancy Stephan reported that Mr. Emery and she did not drive over to Evert to look at the shuffleboard courts. Nancy and her husband did make a later trip to Evert and reported the following issues for the township to keep in mind.

Parking

Fencing area

Locked to keep out skate boarding

Building with equipment

Plenty of benches

### **STONE HATCHERY BUILDING**

Gary Gerber of Gerber Architectural was present to discuss with the committee the restoration of the Stone Hatchery Building. He has a project proposal submitted to the township not to exceed \$1500.00. The scope of work would include budgeting, schematic layout and a study outlining work necessary to convert the existing building into a picnic shelter.

Additional points of discussion were:

1. The building has great potential just needs a cleaning up.
2. Repair work needed.
3. Suggested grate work or glass in the floor where the water flows through the center of the building.
4. Improve lighting there is some conduit there now that could be used..
5. New Roof
6. Repair fascia
7. Work with Marlies for garden on each end.
8. Windows – Keep. They are historic to building. Need work - sandblast frames, paint and leave out glass.
9. Sandblast wood and paint a natural wood color.
10. Present floor slopes 9” – suggests leave that way, because is part of the history.
11. Suggest capping floor again with concrete and natural finish, acid etch cement floor.

12. His proposal would get prices for grant applications and grants.
13. Old tanks suggest using as picnic tables, benches, or outside shadow boxes
14. Remove partial walls at south end of building, they are not supporting walls.
15. Repair chimney
16. Replace garage doors or leave only the frame. Leaves building more open.
17. Over all building is solid with great potential "has a gem"
18. Suggests no restrooms in Hatchery building.
19. Lower grade on west side of building.
20. Suggest surveillance camera to secure building deter problems.

MOTION was made by Nancy Stephan and supported by Bob Baldwin to recommend to the township board to hire Gary Gerber per his project proposal for the Stone Hatchery building restoration to convert the existing stone hatchery building into a multi use shelter. MOTION CARRIED.

### **TOWNSHIP HALL PARK EXCAVATING**

The committee went outside to walk. and assess the property of the future hall park of basketball court, shuffleboard court and picnic shelter.

1. There already is a dirt barrier on the south of the park property just may need to install plastic barrier.
2. Not much topsoil there to save, because if fill.
3. Need to talk with building department for base depth for cement.
4. Should contact Hersey Village about their new park pavilion.  
Or Gary Gerber for Architect stamp.
5. Janet and Bob will contact the Drain Commission and Soil Erosion office on the 14<sup>th</sup>. before the next park committee meeting.
6. Next meeting will be the 18, 19, or 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. to flag and mark out the sizes of the proposed recreation courts and picnic shelter, depending on weather.
7. Need to be working on grant applications
8. Janet talked with Elmers and they sometimes do grants for reduced cost of cement for local projects.

### **CHARLIE BROWN PARK**

Was suggested the township contact their attorney about an agreement with the road commission.

### **SPECIAL MEETING**

May ask the township board to hold a special meeting to approve "bids" or bid sheet for excavating of hall park grounds.

### **STONE HATCHERY PARK**

Richard Thomas will get a work crew of community service workers to brush hog and open up addition area of area the Stone Hatchery Park..

Meeting adjourned 8:20 p.m.

Janet Clark

