



Chikaming Township Park Board Meeting, Monday, June 5, 2019

**Chikaming Township Park Board
Approved Minutes - Special Meeting**

Monday, June 5, 2019 6:30 p.m.
Chikaming Township Hall
13535 Red Arrow Hwy
Harbert, MI 49115

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The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.	Call to Order
Members present: Jill Underhill, Arthur Anderson, Janet Schrader, Shelly Taylor, Joseph Reed and Deborah Hall-Kayler were present.	Roll Call
There were no public comment at this time.	Public Comment
<p>Tom Hackley was present to discuss the Master Plan with the board.</p> <p>Hackley requested overall comments from the board to start the meeting. The board discussed that the goals of the board as listed were not considered to be in order of importance.</p> <p>Hackley pointed out to the board that goal four, staffing, came up in all discussions. Schrader stated that she feels it is important that someone be found to help manage the park properties. It was agreed unanimously that this is the first goal.</p> <p>Anderson suggested that community education be added as a fifth goal.</p> <p>Schrader stated that she feels planning what would happen if the beach stairs were to be washed away or destroyed should be a 6th goal. Hall agreed that there is no capital plan for replacing the stairs but that the solution would be to go to the township and request emergency funds for the repair.</p> <p>Hackley asked for the board's opinion on development such as a community pool or developed recreation facility. Hall stated that she feels there are surrounding communities that offer recreational opportunities nearby and that she would prefer a focus on nature and less impactful development such as a disc golf course. Hall stressed that she does not want to see the same facilities that neighboring communities have.</p> <p>Hall stressed that she believes equal access to the parks needs to be emphasized in the new plan.</p> <p>Schrader suggested that the Park Board have a yearly community meeting with the elected township officials.</p>	Special Meeting Discussion

<p>The board reviewed that “Section B” contains data on each property.</p> <p>Hackley requested that each board member review the properties that they oversee and update or correct the info in the plan. Lakeside Community Park will be added.</p> <p>Hackley informed the board that the next step will be to conduct a survey within the next few weeks. He added that October is still the goal to finalize the plan.</p>	
<p>There were no public comments at this time.</p>	<p>Public Comment</p>
<p>Moved by Anderson, seconded by Underhill, to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>ADJOURNED</p>
<p>Monday, June 24, at 6:30 P.M.</p>	<p>NEXT MEETING</p>