

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Brownstown Parks and Recreation Commission was held at the Brownstown Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, on Thursday, November 4, 2010. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bryan at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Bryan, Barbee, Grady, McCoy, Oaks, St. Louis, Wright, and
Recreation Director Maxe

ABSENT AND EXCUSED: None

MINUTE APPROVAL: Motion of St. Louis, supported by Oaks, to approve the Parks and Recreation Commission minutes of October 7, 2010 as submitted. All voting aye.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion of Barbee, supported by Grady, to approve the Parks and Recreation Commission agenda of November 4, 2010 as submitted. All voting aye.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

TOWNSHIP FEEDBACK: Maxe acknowledged new Recreation Commissioner Art Wright who was appointed at the Township Board meeting on Monday. Also at that meeting, the 2011 Parks and Recreation budget was approved. When Maxe receives the final copy, he will forward it to all members.

COMMUNITY CENTER UPDATE: One of the Community Center's rooftop heating and air conditioning units broke down last Sunday. The other five units are approximately 18 years old. Maxe would like to replace all six units at once and has approached the Brownstown Downtown Development Authority for funding.

PARK DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS:

WOODLAND HEIGHTS PARK DEVELOPMENT: The Woodland Heights playground is complete and receiving lots of use by the residents. A project sign mandated by Wayne County has been ordered and should be up this week. The grant contract for Phase II has been approved by the County and will be on the next Township Board agenda for their approval.

TOWNSHIP CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT: The Township Campus development project is moving along nicely. They are close to bidding out Phase I, the area behind the existing maintenance building, which includes a pole barn, parking lot, tennis courts, and dog park. Phase II is expected to be out to bid in a month or two while the event barn will take another four or five months at least. On Monday, the Township Board approved the DDA to hire a consultant to assist in obtaining the wetland mitigation and permits to move the drain for the new softball diamonds and MDNRE response is expected within six months. The existing picnic shelter renovations are scheduled to go before the DDA for approval to submit to bid. After the bus garage is removed, the event barn construction will be next.

2010 FALL PROGRAMS: The 2010 Fall Programs are winding down and will be over by the 1st week of December.

2011 WINTER PROGRAMS: Maxe is still working on the building use charges for programs within the Gibraltar School District. The School Board will be increasing the building use cost for adult classes in January from \$30 to \$102 per hour and Maxe cannot support that amount. The fees would be too great to attract enough participants. He is looking for new locations to hold the programs while still hoping to negotiate costs with the school. The 2011 Winter Recreation newsletter is on hold until the class locations have been decided.

OTHER BUSINESS: The annual tree-lighting event is on Thursday, December 2nd at 6:00 p.m. Members were asked to arrive by 5:30. Maxe asked for suggestions on any changes that members would like to see. Bryan suggested that Santa arrive in the sled on a trailer then the sled could be carried inside and set up for Santa to sit and visit the children. Breakfast with Santa will be held on Saturday, December 11th at 9:00 a.m. and members were asked to be there by 8:30 a.m. Magician, Gordon Russ, has been scheduled for entertainment, the stuffed animals have been ordered, and the senior volunteers have been arranged to serve the pancakes again.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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