

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BROWNSTOWN
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MAY 5, 2011**

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, May 5, 2011. 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 Barbee, to approve the Parks and Recreation Commission minutes of April 7, 2011 as submitted. All voting aye.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion of Grady, supported by Oaks, to approve the Parks and Recreation Commission agenda of May 5, 2011 as submitted. All voting aye.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

TOWNSHIP FEEDBACK: Twenty nine applications were received for the Assistant Recreation Director. Fourteen of the applicants will be interviewed, all of whom have experience in similar positions for other communities. About half of these also have experience with seniors.

COMMUNITY CENTER UPDATE: Read and file.

PARK DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS:

WOODLAND HEIGHTS PARK DEVELOPMENT: The \$50,000 grant for the park would not be enough to put a walking/bike path all the way around the park. The feedback from the residents indicated that a path would get more use than a picnic shelter. One possibility for stretching the grant funds to provide as many as possible of the desired amenities is using the old picnic tables from the Township Campus. Funds designated for roads can also be used for “non-motorized pathways”. Other amenities were also discussed, such as signs, baggies and garbage cans for pet waste. Work should begin in June.

TOWNSHIP CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT: Phase 1 work on the Township Campus is expected to begin around June 1, 2011. The plans for the water park include devices that are user-activated. The playscape is also being redesigned/replaced. Maxe will forward the email from DiSanto when the proposal is put together. One of the playscapes is designed to look like a tree. McCoy requested a copy of the Phase I email.

2011 SPRING PROGRAMS: The Fishing Derby is scheduled for the first Sunday in June. In order to maintain the program fees, games are being rescheduled so that all games can be played on Township diamonds. The school districts want to charge a use fee this year.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.