

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI
PARK COMMISSION
APPROVED MINUTES OF THE JULY 12, 2021 REGULAR MEETING**

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I. Call to Order

Commission Vice-Chair Hodge called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. at the Ypsilanti Township Civic Center.

II. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Brad Hine, Tajalli Hodge, Jeff Neel, Brad O’Conner, Darrell Kirby

Commissioners Not Present: David Streeter, Starr Smith

Staff Present: Mike Hoffmeister, Angela Verges, and Robin Castle-Hine

III. Determination of Quorum

Quorum present

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda made by Darrell Kirby

Seconded by Jeff Neel

Motion Carried Unanimously

V. Approval of Minutes – June 7, 2021 Regular Meeting

Motion to approve minutes made by Brad O’Conner

Seconded by Darrell Kirby

Motion Carried Unanimously

VI. Citizens Participation

Justin Hodge, County Commissioner, expressed support.

VII. Reports

A. Staff Reports

Mike Hoffmeister: 1) Ford Lake Park boat docks project will be completed in the next week. 2) Loonfeather Park update: No bids previously for Loonfeather project \$296,000 grant so the Township approved new bid, and received 3 new bids. 3) Summer concerts 3 of 5 held (2 canceled due to weather): Clubview, North Bay, Willow Park. 4) Food trucks update: schedule for 2 in Aug and 2 in Sept. 5) Apple Ridge Park survey received limited feedback. Mike would like to hold a community/public meeting so we get appropriate feedback before moving to the Board of Trustees. 6) Name placards on way for public meetings.

Angela Verges: Theater camps underway. New Recreation Coordinator Nicole Passmore started today but she will attend future meetings. Community Center will hold an Open House on Saturday, July 17.

Robin Castle-Hine: We are still collecting money from vendors for Rosie the Riveter festival. 45 vendors registered. Hope to have 55. Need volunteers. Parks weren’t as busy in June due to rain, but still doing very well.

B. Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Hodge discussed Fed Up Ministries event held recently at Ford Heritage Park: fed over 150 people and raised over \$1300.

VIII. Unfinished Business

Dog Park: no updates, waiting on revised report.

IX. New Business

Apple Ridge Park focus group discussion: all in favor of reaching out to people who live in the neighborhood to get their input. Director Hoffmeister will put together possible dates for a community meeting.

X. Public Hearing

None

XI. Announcements

None

XII. Recommendations to the Township Board

None

XIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Darrell Kirby

Seconded by Brad Hine.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Meeting Adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Minutes taken and prepared by Jeff Neel, Secretary

Minutes approved by the Park Commission on August 2, 2021