

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI  
PARK COMMISSION  
APPROVED MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2021 REGULAR MEETING**

*Park Commission Agendas and Minutes are available on the township website at <https://ytown.org/park-commission>*

**I. Call to Order**

Commission Streeter called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. at the Ypsilanti Township Civic Center.

**II. Roll Call**

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

**Commissioners Not Present:** Starr Smith

**Staff Present:** Mike Hoffmeister, Angela Verges, Nichole Passmore

**III. Determination of Quorum**

Quorum present

**IV. Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve the agenda made by Hodge

Seconded by Kirby

Motion Carried Unanimously

**V. Approval of Minutes – August 2, 2021 Regular Meeting**

Motion to approve minutes made by Hodge

Seconded by O’Conner

Motion Carried Unanimously

**VI. Approval of Minutes – August 25, 2021 Special Meeting**

Motion to approve minutes made by Kirby

Seconded by Neel

Motion Carried Unanimously

**VII. Citizens Participation**

None

**VIII. Reports**

**A. Staff Reports**

Mike Hoffmeister:

- 1) Loonfeather Park: thru demolition, asphalt demo, roof on shelter
- 2) Appleridge/West Willow agreement is in legal review; will take to Board of Trustees soon and can start work as soon as approved
- 3) Clubview DNR grant application (tennis court repair) was submitted; likely a 2023 project.
- 4) Board of Trustees bid for the Huron St pathway development plan: Nearing completion of plan, which will also include plans for repair existing paths. Scheduled for 2022. Path will include the west side of Huron then north to Eagle Crest. Considering a bridge across I-94. Will be lighted on south side, MDOT rules preclude lights over highway. Discussion: O’Conner asked if the path is pedestrian only? MH: can be used by bicyclists but no motorized vehicles.

- 5) Fence for railroad tracks at Harris Rd Park. In talks with Amtrack, MDOT, and township. 2022.
- 6) Ethics policy approved by passed at Board of Trustees. Final version will be forwarded to Parks Commission
- 7) A one-year opening celebration for the Skate Park will be held on Saturday Sept 25, 3 – 5 pm. The event will include competition AND Covid vaccines, food trucks and skate vendors.
- 8) Nicole Passmore introduction; see below.

Angela Verges:

- 1) 2 requests for parks usage. Community Center Park (family event) and Ford Lake Park (Sunday Oct 16, focus on Community Engagement.)
- 2) New rugby team approved for practice at Ford Lake Park

Nichole Passmore:

New Recreation Coordinator. Previous experience as Life Enrichment Manager at Assisted Living facility in Canton and with Northville reaction department.

### **B. Commissioner Reports**

David Streeter discussed Ethics Policy – details likely to be found in Board of Trustees minutes if people interested in reviewing early. Commission will get a version once it is approved by Legal.

### **IX. Unfinished Business**

**Dog Park:** Mike Hoffmeister: City of Ypsilanti has passed on joint park but Township will move forward anyway. Will contact Washtenaw County about possible partnership. Mike to reconnect with consultant this week for updates.

### **X. New Business**

None.

### **XI. Public Hearing**

None

### **XII. Announcements**

None

### **XIII. Recommendations to the Township Board**

None

### **XIV. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn made by O'Conner  
Seconded by Kirby  
Motion Carried Unanimously  
Meeting Adjourned at 6:55 p.m.