

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI  
PARK COMMISSION  
APPROVED MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 10, 2022 REGULAR MEETING**

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

**I. Call to Order**

Commission Hodge called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. at the Ypsilanti Township Civic Center.

**II. Roll Call**

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

**Commissioners Not Present:** Starr Smith, Brad O'Conner

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

**III. Determination of Quorum**

Quorum present

**RESOLUTION HONORING ANGELA VERGES**

Motion to accept resolution by Hine

Seconded by Neel

Resolution carried unanimously

**IV. Approval of Agenda**

**Changes: Oak & Smith**

Motion to approve the agenda Kirby

Seconded by Hine

Motion Carried Unanimously

**V. Approval of Minutes – December 6, 2021 Regular Meeting**

**Changes:** Starr Smith joined December meeting after roll call; corrected Oxford HS minute of silence.

Motion to approve amended minutes made by Streeter

Seconded by Hine

Motion Carried Unanimously

**VI. Citizens Participation**

None

**VII. Reports**

**A. Staff Reports**

Mike Hoffmeister:

- 1) Loonfeather Park update: Work is not quite done as the walk/pathway didn't meet ADA requirements and therefore needs to be replaced to meet standards. Ribbon cutting ceremony planned upon completion.
- 2) Huron Street pathway bid will be going out soon.
- 3) Playground mulch bid will go Board of Trustees (only half of the parks have their mulch replaced each year)
- 4) Request For Proposals for tree removal services will go out soon. Especially important to remove dead trees and limbs overhanging homeowner properties.

- 5) Lakeview/Grove Rd Park has broken playground equipment which needs to be repaired.
- 6) Increase vaccination and testing centers: – one planned for Community Center but dates TBD. Looking for sources for masks and at-home test kits.

DISCUSSION: Tree removal in Ford Heritage Park due to dead trees imposing on homes on Cary Dr.

John Hines:

- 1) Met w YMCA on Thursday about resuming programs.
- 2) Dance group 303 from Allen Park lost rental space so want to rent from us (Room 303) and might agree to help with dance classes here.
- 3) Feb 12 basketball league starting as well as Fairytale Ball.
- 4) New Recreation Coordinator Josh Kugler: Background in Recreation Management and a veteran of US Air Force.

**B. Commissioner Reports**

None.

**VIII. Unfinished Business**

**Dog Park:** Mike Hoffmeister: No update.

**IX. New Business**

Bow hunting issue across from Township offices. Ordinance in place prohibiting firearms, bows, and projectiles and there are specific articles pertaining to hunting at parks around Ford Lake. A recommendation was made to strengthen the ordinance to prohibit all hunting in all township parks. Hodge to review both DNR regulations

**X. Public Hearing**

None

**XI. Announcements**

None.

**XII. Recommendations to the Township Board**

None

**XIII. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn made by Neel  
Seconded by Hine  
Motion Carried Unanimously  
Meeting Adjourned at 6:56 p.m.