

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI
PARK COMMISSION
APPROVED MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 6, 2023 REGULAR MEETING**

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I. Call to Order

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

II. Roll Call

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

Commissioners Not Present: Starr Smith

Staff Present: John Hines

III. Determination of Quorum

Quorum present.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda made by Streeter

Seconded by Kirby

Motion Carried Unanimously

V. Approval of Minutes –Approval of January 9, 2023 Regular Meeting

Motion to approve minutes made by Kirby

Seconded by Hine

Motion Carried Unanimously

VI. Citizens Participation

None.

VII. Reports

A. Staff Reports

John Hines, Recreation Services Manager and Interim Residential Services Director

- Officially started Master Plan process with Beckett & Raeder. Township leaders met to form committee; discussion of including citizens and interested Parks Board members. Goal is 8 people; 4 already from township leaders. Township will broadcast meeting times and provide methods for citizens to offer feedback. Commissioners Hodge and Kirby interested in serving. Commissioner Hodge will reach out to citizens who have contacted the Board previously about issues at the parks.
- Loonfeather Update: Railing work started today (2/6/23). Grant is extended till August. Need to finish financials and reimbursement to township. Suburban and PGA are the two vendors.
- Community Center repairs: spoke with BelFor to approve plans; started demolition today. (Pipe froze and broke over holiday break, flooding Pro Shop and Golf Services office; dance studios and senior room also affected.) BelFor Restoration working with insurance to approve repairs and types of flooring to use. Damage was more extensive than first suspected.

- Community Center Exercise Room closed for foreseeable future. Working around for various programs like Beyond 50.
- Hosting Black History program on Feb. 24 at 1 pm 24th, Room 105.
- Basketball just started. 106 registrations so far; down from pre-Covid numbers but still good.
- Jet Ski rental and Ann Arbor JC Hydroplane racing requests referred to township attorney.

Discussion: Commissioner Hine asked about orange markings on trees at Ford Lake Park. John Hines will investigate.

B. Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Hodge will speak with community leaders about Sugarbrook Wildflower Garden and how to use the rest of the grant funding.

VIII. Unfinished Business

None.

IX. New Business

None.

X. Announcements

None.

XI. Recommendation

None.

XII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Neel

Seconded: Hine

Meeting Adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Minutes taken and prepared by Jeff Neel, Secretary