



## MINUTES

# Newaygo Community Recreation Authority Meeting

Newaygo County, Michigan

November 14, 2019

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 am at the Welcome Center, located at 4684 Evergreen Dr., Newaygo, MI 49337 by Chair Jennifer Badgero.

Present: Jon Schneider (City of Newaygo), Erik Larsen (Garfield Twp), Duane duChemin (Croton Twp), Jennifer Badgero (Brooks Township), Kim Goodin (Brooks Township)

Others Present: Connie Mooney, Assistant to Director Newaygo County Parks

Absent: Nancy Kinniburgh (Garfield Twp), Nick Smith (County Rep), Morgan Heinzman (Croton Twp), Jane Parsley (City of Newaygo)

### MINUTES

Motion by Larsen, second by Badgero to approve meeting minutes from 09/12/19. AIF/MC

### PUBLIC COMMENT

### FINANCIALS

Motion by Badgero, second by Larsen to approve the current month financials and accounts payable. AIF/MC  
Schneider stated that check from AYSO had been received in amount of \$3,000 and had been applied to FY 2018-2019.

### RESERVED TIME

### OLD BUSINESS

Schneider stated that re-seeding of south upper soccer field had been approved at last meeting and re-seeding has been completed. He discussed tree initiative grant that was received and asked for feedback with planting trees at the soccer fields. Board discussed trees at soccer fields and have concerns with tree roots in future years.

duChemin stated that the last spray of season for ball fields, by TruGreen, had been cancelled due to large number of clippings as fields had not been mowed in timely manner by Newaygo Youth Softball. Board discussed drainage and overall improvements needed at Henning Park ball fields. Schneider stated that if wanted to request dollars from TIFA for additional field at Henning or improvements to fields that someone needs to take the lead and finalize numbers and details prior to February 2020.

Goodin stated Recreation Plan being reviewed.

### NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Badgero, second by Larsen approving Resolution N19-01 setting NCRA Meeting Dates for 2020. AIF/MC  
Board discussed work needed to improve Skate Park House. They discussed: exterior needs, rotted door jams, leaks in two areas of house, and roof. Board discussed ideas for future of house and is hesitant to invest any money in house unless a good idea can be determined for use of house.

Motion by Goodin, second by Larsen to change Graves Lodge Fees, starting January 1, 2020, to \$100 from May 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>, \$150 from October 1<sup>st</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup>, and key deposit fee to \$100. AIF/MC  
Mooney discussed issues experiencing with electrical breakers and leakage at Graves Lodge. Schneider said to get quotes for repairs.

Soccer Lease Agreement expires on March 24, 2020. Board discussed current lease agreement that has been in place for 10 years, suggested changes to lease agreement and discussed expenses related to soccer fields. Goodin will clean contract up and send to AYSO and Board for review and place on the January NCRA Agenda.

Schneider stated tennis/pickleball courts at Henning Park need some rehab and discussed trenching around entire tennis courts as a number of tree roots growing under tennis surface. Board discussed repairs and re-coloring of tennis courts that was done in 2015 and said courts were re-paved approximately 15 years ago. Board said

need to repair and maintain courts if plan to keep as tennis/pickleball courts. Mooney to follow up with Smith about obtaining quotes for trenching and repairing courts.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

duChemin discussed possibility of NCRA purchasing a 2<sup>nd</sup> mower so soccer and baseball would each have a mower.

He will follow up with pricing on mowers in the spring.

Larsen stated that drive-way at soccer fields is in need of repairs. Schneider stated that feels a grinder is needed for the drive-way.

Motion by Goodin, second by Schneider to adjourn at 9:37 am.

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Kim Goodin, Secretary