



**CITY OF WALLED LAKE
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2017**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Moore, Cheney, Hecht, Palmer, Skronek

ABSENT: Loch

OTHERS PRESENT: Recording Secretary Joyce

REQUESTS FOR AGENDA CHANGES: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**P&R 08-01-17 APPROVAL OF THE JULY 10, 2017, PARKS AND RECREATION
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Motion by Palmer seconded Skronek, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:** To approve the July 10, 2017, Parks and Recreation meeting minutes.

COMMUNICATION:

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Concerts**

The Commissioners felt the concerts were well attended this year. It was felt that there has been a larger audience turnout this year. It was felt that we needed to work on getting the concerts advertised for out of the city interest. Commissioner Palmer said he would check with the Oakland Press to see if there was a means of advertising the concerts at no charge.

It was suggested we should try and get a food vendor to partake in the concert series.

The Commission discussed solicitors that were at the concerts and if this should be allowed.

2. **Movie in the Park Update**

Commissioner Hecht stated that the movie “Zootopia” is reserved for us and the screen/projection people have received their deposit. They will send an invoice at the time of the movie for the remainder of the balance.

There are several frisbees that movie participants can toss around prior to the event. Commissioner Hecht will pick up glow sticks to be handed out to the kids.

3. **Update on Park Walk/Survey**

It was suggested that mulch and weeding control should be done this year if possible. Chairman Moore will send Chelsea Rodger an email to see if the DPW can take care of the mulch and weed control yet this summer. It was suggested that fibar mulch be used. These two issues would greatly improve the overall appearance of our parks.

It was suggested that a shed to house the port-a-johns at Sims Park be built.

The Commission discussed the gazebo which they felt was a safety issue. Secretary Joyce said she would see if Building Official Jim Wright would look at the gazebo or if he could recommend someone to look at it and report back to the Commission as to what is needed to make it safe.

It was also felt that weed control need to be addressed immediately in the parks. Weeds have been neglected.

Basketball and tennis courts have been neglected but the cost to get them fixed was extremely high. Possibly the Commission can get grant money to get them renovated.

The Commission was very pleased with the park walk and felt this should be done annually.

Commissioner Skronek volunteered to take everyone’s list and correlate a list of safety and cosmetic issues. From this list, we can prioritize what we feel needs to be done

4. **Holiday Tree Lighting**

The Commission went over the Holiday Tree Lighting Preparation List. Secretary Joyce suggested everyone start thinking about this event and we will work further on it next month. Things to think about include:

Tree Lighters – Children to turn on the switch to light the Christmas tree.

Entertainment – Chairman Moore will contact dance Dynamics

Santa – Chairman Moore has contacted Bill Ramsey and left a message regarding the event.

Twirl-M's – Secretary Joyce will contact them and see if they will again provide entertainment.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The Commission thanked Secretary Janell Joyce and the DPW for their hard work and support to the Parks & Recreation.

It was suggested we start discussion on the Fireworks celebration next month.

P&R 08-02-17 ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Moore, seconded by Cheney, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To adjourn the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

Janell Joyce
Recording Secretary

Timothy Moore
Chairman