**Marathon Township Parks and Recreation Board**

**Regular Meeting of July 19, 2023**

**Marathon Township Community Park: 5274 Hollenbeck Rd, Columbiaville MI**

**Minutes**

**Call to Order:** Chairman Dennis Hogan called the meeting to order at 6:10pm.

**Roll Call:**

Present were Dennis Hogan, Dawn Johnson, Michelle Coultas, Betty Moorhouse, Cassey Mieslik, Ron Klocek, Amanda Renius, Tiffany Glesenkamp, and Crystal Klebba.

Also present were Fred Moorhouse, Derek Coultas, and Sandy Glesenkamp.

**Approval of Agenda:** B. Moorhouse moved to accept the agenda, with the addition of two items: Pavilion Reservation Form and Bathroom Security. Seconded by M. Coultas. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** B. Moorhouse moved to accept the March 2023 minutes. Seconded by M. Coultas. Motion carried.

**Unfinished Business: Frankenmuth Credit Union Grant:** The township board has approved the park board to apply for this grant. The grant would be for the amount of $5,000. Ideas discussed for how to use the grant money included electricity for the pavilion, security cameras, a charcoal grill for visitor use, and various park signage.

**New Business: Mighty Mac Walk:** Plans are in motion to revive the Mighty Mac walk on the Southern Links Trailway. The walk would likely take place the weekend before Labor Day and would start up again next year. A planning committee will be formed.

**New Business: AARP Community Grant:** An article about the AARP grant program was provided. A potential use of the grant money would be installing exercise equipment along the park trail.

**New Business: Rain Garden:** The previous proposed plan was not approved by the township board. However, there have been volunteers who have stepped forward offering to donate plants and their time to plant them.

**New Business: Pavilion Reservation Form:** There have been many inquiries about renting the pavilion for events such as birthday parties and reunions. A copy of the Columbiaville Vermilya Park rental form and rules and regulations was provided. Similar documents will be created for the park pavilion. There will be a $50 rental fee and a $100 deposit required for rental. C. Mieslik moved to accept and B. Moorhouse seconded.

**New Business: Bathroom Security:** Due to large messes left in the park bathroom, the bathroom will be locked from dusk until dawn. C. Mieslik moved to accept and B. Moorhouse seconded.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm by D. Hogan.