

**CITY OF MANISTEE
PARKS AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**Thursday, May 17, 2012
5:00 P.M.**

Members Present: Mark Tomaszewski, Priscilla Rulison, Ed Tegler, Darci Scott, Lynne Reinhardt, Roger Zielinski

Members Absent: Rozga, Kubiak

Also Present: Gary Niesen
Kathie Boyle

Guests: Mitch Deisch, City Manager
Jeff Mikula, Abonmarche
Jon Rose, Community Development Officer
Alan Marshall, City Council
Ilona Haydon, City Council
Kris Bajtka

A regular meeting of the Manistee Parks and Beautification Commission was held on Thursday, May 17, 2012 at City Hall – City Council Chambers. Meeting was called to order by Chair Ed Tegler at 5:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes. Motion Zielinski, second Scott to accept the minutes of April 19th with corrections.

Approval of March 8 Harbor Commission motion to read:

Ayes Tomaszewski, Rulison, Rozga, Tegler, Scott, Reinhardt

Criteria for Parks & Beautification Projects to read:

Motion by Reinhardt, second by Rozga.

Motion approved.

At this time Chair Tegler turned the meeting over to the City Engineer of record Jeff Mikula. Mr. Mikula was in attendance to update the commission on the new plans for the First Street Beach house. Mikula discussed w/site plans the beach conceptual plans that include the new beach house and fish cleaning station.

Fish Cleaning Station

The City received \$75,000 from the Great Lake Fishery Trust and the city matched with funding from the Capital Improvement Fund. Bidding has gone out and will be on the city council agenda the first week in June with completion in September.

First Street Bath House

The City received two grants (1) from the MDNR and (1) from the Revenue Sharing Board along with Capital Improvement Funds for a total cost \$500,000. The new building will be moved down toward the wall after concerns from owner of Lakeshore Motel. Building will be larger than Fifth Avenue Beach house with more amenities.

Discussion followed with answers by Mikula, Rose and Deisch

- Move building to the large pavilion area
- Restroom facility
- Covered pavilion w/roof area open to the beach
- Concession area
- Grade of shingles
- Type of roof – metal/shingles
- Ice & water shield for shingles – Mikula will confirm w/manufacturer on their recommendation
- Maintenance/sand removal
- Tegler requested from Mikula price on installing footing if City ever wanted to build walls in the future
- Construction to begin in July

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Animal Ordinance - At the request of City Council the P & B Commission was to make a recommendation on the “Animal Ordinance” specifically dogs on beaches. **Motion** by Reinhardt, **second** by Rulison that dogs not be allowed at First Street or Fifth Avenue beaches from Memorial to Labor Day, and at no time on the Riverwalk. Dogs are allowed at the North Beach Access and at Fifth Avenue Beach north of the swim area and parking lot. At all other parks the present rules should remain the same. Commission suggested taking inventory as to where and if “no dogs allowed” signs are installed.

Ayes Tomaszewski, Rulison, Tegler, Scott, Reinhardt,

Nays Zielinski

Update on planting at City Marina – Reinhardt has not heard back from Mr. Post.

Update on Lighthouse Park – Reinhardt gave Mr. Bladzick information a company and volunteers.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

NEW BUSINESS.

None

COMMENTS

Rose commented that the Parks & Beautification Commission does not need to endorse the First Street Beachhouse.

Motion by Rulison, **second** by Zielinski to adjourn at 6:50 p.m.

Next meeting date – June 21, 2012 @ 5:00 p.m. in the 2nd floor conference room.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathie Boyle
Recording Secretary

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