

**CITY OF MANISTEE
PARKS AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
NOTES
Thursday, September 19, 2013**

Call to Order: 5:03 pm by Chair Reinhardt

Members Present: Ed Tegler, Lynne Reinhardt, Jane Schimke, Lynn Vasquez, Mark Tomaszewski,

Members Excused: Roger Zielinski, Darci Scott, and Kathie Boyle (recording secretary)

Also Present: Gary Niesen - City of Manistee

A regular meeting of the Manistee Parks and Beautiful Commission was held on Thursday, September 19, 2013 at City Hall, 2nd floor conference room. Meeting was called to order by Chair Reinhardt at 5:03pm.

Approval of Minutes: **Motion** by Tegler, **Second** by Tomaszewski to accept the minutes of August 15, 2013 and place on file. **Motion carried.**

Old Business:

By-Law Changes: Chair Reinhardt passed out copies of by-laws with the suggested changes. Prepare to discuss and vote on the issue on October 17, 2013.

Adopt a Park: Further discussion on adopt a park. Ed Tegler was not impressed with the info he got from Novi, MI. There was questions to whether or not City Council has been working on an adopt a park program. Talk about setting up an adopt a park sub-committee.

General Discussion:

Communication Path: Chair Reinhardt handed out copies of the current communication path between P&B Commission, City Council and Citizen(s). Is this working and being followed? Chair said this is something to think about. Chair asked Lynn Vasquez to send copies of the flowchart to members of City Council.

Talked about having citizen fill out questionnaire or short survey type before/after they ask for the support of commission. This will allow the commission to have correct spelling of name, address and phone number so we can do follow up. Ed Tegler had a copy of criteria used when evaluating park projects. Lynn Vasquez will make copies and bring to next meeting.

Motion by Schimke, **Second** by Tomaszewski to adjourn at 5:53 pm. Motion carried.

Next meeting date – October 17, 2013 at 5:00 pm at City Hall-2nd Floor Conference Room.

POST MEETING

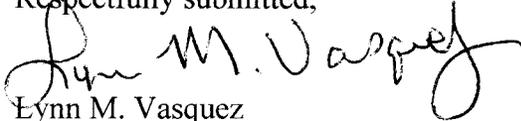
Morton Park Visitation

Commission visited Morton Park, located on Third Street. Thoughts or comments on what could improve this park were:

- paint or replace basketball back board
- kill weeds growing up on basketball court
- new playground equipment
- dog park added
- walking/running track
- trees added
- replace gates on fence
- add picnic tables, garbage cans

Questions: is there water hook up? What is in the shed? Survey the neighbors to see what they want? Where is the money going to come from?

Respectfully submitted,



Lynn M. Vasquez
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