

Minutes

Approved 6-5-19

**HOMER TOWNSHIP  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, May 1, 2019 – 6:30 pm  
Homer Township Administration Office  
14350 W. 151<sup>st</sup> St. Homer Glen

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Co-Chair Kalas at 6:30.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL: ESTABLISH QUORUM

Present: Debbie Stevens, Ed Kalas, Josh Lund, John Kruczek. Absent: Mitch Hart.

4. AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve March minutes by Ed, second by John. All in favor, motion passes.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Homer Stallions president Dan Hagan speaks of concerns about football tower windows replacement. He says that since he has been trying to get these leaking windows replaced for 2 years with no progress on the part of the township Stallions will not pay for water damage caused by the delay.

John states to Dan that the delay is being caused by the fact that there are tower construction issues and a problem with moisture. Dan reiterates that he has been trying to get this done for 2 years.

Dan states that the Homer Stallions should be kept apprised of what the township is going to do moving forward as to when will the repairs be done. He hopes the season will not start with a boarded up window as is current.

Dan asked about the restrooms in the concession stand building. He recommends installing commercial grade toilets as public usage can be very heavy at times.

John states that whoever runs the concession stand should fix the toilets themselves when they get clogged.

Melissa Jelinek asks about getting park equipment at Lamers Park. Debbie inquires if she is asking about a tot lot. Melissa responded that she's asking about playground equipment in general. John mentions history of Gallagher and Henry in plans for the park. John states that the township is working on other

parks and suggests she asks the Village of Homer Glen Park and Recreation committee, states that they are looking for places to put new parks.

Tara Wrobel states that she reported last month that the Morris Park toddler swings were worn and rusty and was told that they would come down as the work order was already completed. She went to Morris Park today and the swings are still up. John says that Morris Park is on the agenda for capital improvements. He states that the swings are ordered. Debbie asked John when the toddler swings were ordered. John said to call the office and said that he will call the office to find out when the rusty toddler swings will be taken down. Tara stated that the wood on the playsets are splintering and damaged. She mentioned that her husband is a carpenter and would be willing to sand the rough spots. Debbie stated that it might work with the "Park Appreciation Day" that Josh and Mitch have been working on.

## 7. SPORTS COMPLEX

a. Status report on Culver Park backstops repair / replacement.

Motion by Debbie to recommend to the board for approval, the Fence Master Inc. proposal. Second by John, all in favor motion passes.

b. Status report on refurbish / rebuild of the HAC shed.

Ed states that he visited the complex to check on progress and that HAC has completed the new shed and did a nice job.

c. Status report on refurbish / rebuild of mechanical shed.

John says he will ask Supervisor Meyers about the status of progress made on rebuild of township mechanical shed, no information available at this time.

d. Discuss plan to address Football Tower windows.

(See public comment)

## 8. Morris Park

a. Report on progress of Homer Township staff in gathering proposals for installation of concrete pad for storage facility for soccer equipment.

Debbie states that she submitted to township staff the information gathered on what was needed to build the shed after the shed was passed by the township board at the October 2018 board meeting. This information included. specifications for the shed, dimensions and pricing as well as contact information at Tuff Shed for best pricing. Also included was information on Will County Land Use requirements for permitting, along with the WCLU contact person's information. Also included was a Will county GIS map of Morris Park showing an X in the location chosen for she shed when she along with Trustee Kalas and Trustee Fijan did a site visit to determine the ideal location based on existing gravel pad and proximity to the concession stand. Also included was a scope of work i.e. the concrete

pad in the form of a proposal put together by a local concrete contractor. (John Lahey of Concrete Creations) in order to insure that the project would come in within the Not to Exceed \$10,000 passed by the board last year.

John stated that he thought the shed should go in a different location and have electricity run to it. Debbie suggested that they go to the site tomorrow and finally get some progress made as it was approved in October. Debbie gave John all the information she had gathered and suggested he talk to Supervisor Meyers to see what needs to be done to move forward.

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:26 pm by John, second by Debbie all in favor, meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Debbie Stevens

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'DS' with a stylized flourish.