# KEEGO HARBOR PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

# Wednesday, August 11th, 2021, MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Kirsten Sonneville-Douglass called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM

Present: Vice- Chairperson Kirsten Sonneville-Douglass, Secretary Robin LaFrance, Treasurer Leslie Clark, Commissioners,

Paul Daelemans, Dayna Krukowski, Kathleen Sexton, Jaky Van Dox,

Absent: Angelica Arens, Daniel Harrington, Jan Hager

**Alternates Present:** None

Staff Present: Administrative Specialist Lori Gilman

Motion by; Kirsten Sonneville-Douglass and supported by Leslie Clark to excuse Angelica Arens, Daniel Harrington, and

Jan Hager from the August 11th, 2021, meeting.

Ayes: Unanimous Nays: None Motion Carried

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:**

Paul Daelemans addressed the Vandalism at the Community Garden site. He volunteered to repair the damages caused to the stands for the barrels. He also discussed possible monies available through Cristen Nelsen, the Oakland County commissioner's office designated to covid interruptions.

Sue Williams discussed the History of the original Cass Keego Club members and their purpose. Among other things established the first library in West Bloomfield and functioned into the 1960's. The new established Cass Keego Club has been functioning to do a spring and fall road clean up, from Orchard Lake rd. to Cass Elizabeth rd. along the Cass Lake rd corridor. They are also raising money to replace the nautical flags at Memorial Park/ The Rock.

### Approval of Agenda. Add Financials

Motion by; Leslie Clark, support by Paul Daelemans to add the financial report to the agenda.

Ayes: Unanimous Nays: None Motion Carried

**Financial Report:** Leslie Clark gave a detailed description of the line items and balances on the financial report. It was made aware that the board has a budget of 4,500.00 to be ear marked for a replace of the previous event "Skate Night" and discussed a line-item change on the report.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

**Motion by;** Kirsten Sonneville Douglass and support by Paul Daelemans to approve the July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Parks and Rec meeting meetings, with financials as amended. Roll Call: Kirsten Sonneville Douglass Y, Leslie Clark Y, Robin LaFrance Y, Paul Daelemans Y, Dayna Krukowski Y, Kathleen Sexton Y, Jacky Van Dox Y. **Motion Carried** 

#### **New Business**

Veterans Memorial Project: Lori Gilman brought discussion and a proposal for Parks and Rec to bring back the Buy a Brick donations and add more memorial bricks to the existing bricks at Veterans Park as a fundraiser. The monies from the fund raiser would be used for specific needs of Veterans Park as in the nautical flags, nonfunctioning spotlights that need repair or replacement. Discussion on how the money is to be collected and social media awareness. Paul Daelemans show interest in working on the project.

**Beautification Awards:** Kathleen Sexton discussed improvement of the google form used for the next round of awards going forward in August. Nominations to start now August 11th until the following Wednesday. Signs to be picked up at the DPW after the meeting.

Keego Block Party: Kirsten Sonneville-Douglass gave a detailed description of the planned Keego Block Party Event to be held from 5:30pm till 8:30pm on September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021. There will be 3 food trucks. A fundraiser dunk tank was discussed. The band "Slowfoot" has been booked and has been partially paid for by a 300.00 sponsorship from the Highlander group. Some of the ArtSail group have been added to the Arts and Crafts. Discussion on different games to purchased that could also be used for future events, such as Cornhole, Jenga, Etc. A budget was discussed for hosting the event. It was brought to the attention of the commission that there is a 4,500.00 budget in place that can used going forward to replace the "Skate Night" Event. It was also brought up to change the line item "Skate Night" in the financial report to "Fall Festival".

**Motion by;** Paul Daelemans and supported by Leslie Clark, to set a budget of up to 1,500.0 to buy street games and expenses for the Keego Harbor Block Party. Roll Call: Kirsten Sonneville-Douglass Y, Leslie Clark Y, Robin LaFrance Y, Paul Daelemans Y, Dayna Krukowski Y, Kathleen Sexton Y, Jaky Van Dox Y. **Motion Carried** 

Motion by; Kirsten Sonneville-Douglass and support by Leslie Clark, to change the line item in the financial report "Skate Night" to "Fall Festival". Roll Call: Kirsten Sonneville-Douglass Y, Leslie Clark Y, Robin LaFrance Y, Paul Daelemans Y, Dayna Krukowski Y, Kathleen Sexton Y, Jaky Van Dox Y. Motion Carried

Resilience Grant Update: Ashley Attisha and Leslie Clark informed the commissioners that they have been working on a pre-proposal for a grant for much needed improvements at Fran Leaf Park. The grant could have a value of up to 300,00.00 and are researching the need for matching funds if any needed and where they may possibly come from. There was much discussion on what the money could be used for. They have secured letters of support and will be submitting the pre-proposal by the deadline. It was recommended by Parks and Rec to bring the pre-proposal to the Keego Harbor city council.

Motion by; Leslie Clark and support by Paul Daelemans to forward the plan for pre-proposal to the Keego Harbor city council.

Ayes: Unanimous

Nays: None

**Motion Carried** 

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned with motion at 8:43 PM.

Kirsten Sonneville-Douglass, Vice Chairperson

Robin LaFrance, Recording Secretary