

PENINSULA TOWNSHIP PARK COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
Township Hall
July 11, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.

Agenda

1. **Call to Order** Griffiths called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Pledge**
3. **Roll Call** Griffiths, Cornell, Snow, Skurski, Atkinson
4. **Approve Agenda** (C) Consider an Application from DNR regarding Kelly Park for limited use (D) Recommendations from Joe Heagany regarding buoys at Haserot Beach (E) Approval for a bench at Haserot Beach. Skurski moves to approve agenda. Atkinson second. **PASSED UNAM**
5. **Brief Citizens Comments** None
6. **Conflict of Interest** None
7. **Consent Agenda**
Any member of the board, staff, or the public may ask that any item on the Consent Agenda be removed and placed elsewhere on the agenda for full discussion.
Correspondence (if any, provided in packet)
Approve Minutes of 5/9/18, 5/30/18 and 6/20/18 meetings
Treasurer's report and invoice list approval
One item was removed from the invoice list. Atkinson moves to accept the Consent Agenda and Skurski second.

Voice vote: Ayes Griffiths, Cornell, Snow, Skurski, Atkinson **PASSED UNAM**

8. Business

A. Lighthouse Manager's Report – Schultz 3877 Smoky Cove Drive
Many compliments received about wildflowers planted by Friends of the Lighthouse. Returning keepers like ceiling fans and shades. Gift shop sales are about the same as last year to date and had one \$1,900 day. Mihm needs to meet to discuss repairs for the wood under repaired leaking windows. Oil house roof continues moving forward toward repair. Parking lot is overflowing and guests are parking on the road. Signage regarding parking is disregarded. Sure Seal has not returning calls for doing the resealing of the parking lot and repainting the lines and arrows. Tree had come down into the parking lot and the landscaper was there and removed the tree for \$300. Snow approved this as an emergency. Quote for gutter along the back section is \$246.76. Need to be as historically accurate as possible and could be there was no gutter. Still waiting for state grant money of \$40,000 and Bickle (Township Treasurer) called and said would be an additional two weeks before money arrives. The parking lot behind the lighthouse floods and needs to have gravel fill to prevent water pooling when it rains.

Action-Motion Atkinson moves to install 20 yard of gravel in parking lot for \$1,680. Skurski second.

Voice vote: Ayes Griffiths, Cornell, Snow, Skurski, Atkinson **PASSED UNAM**

Two additional invoices for \$300 (tree limb removal) and \$700 (printing) were submitted for approval. Atkinson moves to approve payments and Skurski second.

Voice vote: Ayes Griffiths, Cornell, Snow, Skurski, Atkinson **PASSED UNAM**

B. Maintenance Report – Wilkinson 18426 Condor, Interlochen
Throw safety buoy is missing at Haserot Beach and will be replaced immediately. Split rail fence at Bower Harbor Expansion Park is about half done and should be completed next week. May find rotten fascia boards under the gutter at the lighthouse and will require repair. Galvanized metal would be good for the gutter to look more historically correct. Wind vents were installed at lighthouse vault toilets.

C. DNR and Kelly Park.

A proposed agreement regarding Kelly Park and the Peninsula has been received. We would do the mowing and trash collection. The DNR is printing signs that say no camping, no fires, no parking.

Nancy Kelly- This is not a Township Park. This is a DNR park. Does this add to the liability of the Peninsula Township? Need to do more research on this agreement before signing.

Dave Sanger 1699 Braemar

Sanger is the Enforcement Officer appointed by the Peninsula Township Board. The discussion centered on what really is enforceable regarding this potential agreement between Kelly and the Peninsula Township. The parks are owned by the Peninsula Township. Sanger refers to PENINSULA TOWNSHIP PARK REGULATION ORDINANCE NO 5 and reads from various sections. Prior permission from the Peninsula Township Park Commission is required for: Erecting or locating tents or camping trailers or Overnight camping. Motorized vehicles shall be driven only on designated roadways and at speeds of not more than 10 miles per hour. No overnight parking is allowed in any Township Park unless permission is first obtained from the Peninsula Township Park Commission. Stoves, grills, and picnic tables should not be used or held for longer time than necessary, to permit their use by a maximum number of people. Any fires for cooking must be made within the stoves or grills provided for that purpose or within other privately owned grills which are designed to retain the ashes and prevent their deposit on the ground. Noise ordinance is not limited to after 10 p.m.

There is concern about how enforceable township laws are at Kelly Park. Ordinance 5 only applies to Peninsula Township Parks and not property owned by the state.

Sanger suggests having Deputy Abbring come to the next Park Commission meeting.

D. Recommendations from Joe Heagany regarding buoys at Haserot Beach

Cornell: Haserot Beach had a pontoon boat that came right up onto the beach. Buoys are not there for marking a channel. The idea is to increase the swim area. The swimming area has a roped-in area that could potentially be larger. The middle 100 feet of beach at Haserot is privately owned and any changes would need to be approved by that owner.

Joe Heagany 18806 Brinkman Road

Haserot Beach is a wonderful beach and only half of the beach is being used for swimmers. The suggestion is to double the swim area by using floating rope buoys. The west side of the dock could be used for self-propelled kayaks, paddle boats, etc. There needs to be a buffer area that is 75 feet to separate the boat launch from the swimmers.

Wilkinson: Boats and swimmers have equal use of the Great Lakes. Need to have attorney look at this idea before taking action. There are 2 250 foot sections that go out from the shore. The middle 100 feet of beach at Haserot is privately owned and any changes to swimming boundaries would need to be approved by that owner.

Action-Motion Atkinson moves that \$1,000 be budgeted to buy buoys to mark the channel for boats. Snow seconded.

Voice vote: Ayes Griffiths, Cornell, Snow, Skurski, Atkinson

PASSED UNAM

E. Approval of bench at Haserot Beach

Cornell moves that a memorial bench be placed at Haserot. The bench must conform to the parameters of the Park specifications and be paid for by the applicant. Atkinson seconds.

PASSED UNAM

9. Citizen Comments None

10. Board Comments – Skurski is meeting with Bickle tomorrow regarding \$20,000 shortfall in budget. Will not need to make any transfers from lighthouse gift shop to lighthouse fund if \$40,000 is received. Pelizzari Park money for lumber will be determined. DNR approved dredging over the next 5 years at Haserot.

11. Adjourn Atkinson moves to adjourn. Skurski second. Moved to Adjourn at 8:58 p.m.

Lola Jackson
Recording Secretary