

**HOWARD TOWNSHIP PARK BOARD MEETING
PROPOSED MINUTES
February 3, 2014**

Present: Jim Bergerson, Judi Bedell Deutscher, Mike Gordon, Marcia Pedzinski, Pauline Washington

Chairman Bergerson called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance. Roll call attendance was taken and the proposed minutes of the January 13th regular meeting were presented. Washington makes a motion to accept the minutes; Gordon seconds; motion passed.

Treasurer's report: There were no expenses this month.

Correspondence:

A letter was received from the Enbridge Environmental Stewardship program informing the Board that the request for a grant had been approved. The letter was accompanied by a check for \$22,500. This will be deposited in the general account until work on the brush removal and recreational walking trail at Pepper Martin begins in the spring.

Old Business:

There was discussion of the Enbridge grant and how best to disburse the monies for brush removal and creating a walking trail near the lower field at Pepper Martin. It is suggested to ask the contractor to attend next month's meeting to explain all the options. Deutscher will make this contact

Following further review of the proposed 2014-2015 budget, Gordon makes a motion to accept, seconded by Deutscher, motion passed.

Removal of the dead oak tree on the north property line at Pepper Martin is still being reviewed as the homeowner is contacted.

There was discussion of communication with HTBL and having representation at monthly meetings of the Park Board. A request will be made that the Board be given a written schedule of all games and tournaments as soon as the schedule is set.

New Business:

Beginning work on the Summer Park Program: Pedzinski reports that we are waiting for the schools to announce make-up of snow days before setting final dates for the summer program as the school year may be extended. This will still allow for the Director applications to be distributed in April following spring break. There will be more discussion at future meetings.

Park Supervisor's report:

There is no report at this time, but there was a question of what work the grant will cover and whether there will be a need for fill for the parking area. This will be discussed at future meetings as more information is obtained from the contractor.

Public comments:

AFLAC representative Mark Farmer was present, stated he will return next month with different insurance options available. He also said that there would be a Spanish class offered through the COA in the near future.

A motion to adjourn was made by Washinton, seconded by Gordon.
The next scheduled meeting is Monday, March 3, 2014 @ 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted
Marcia Pedzinski, secretary