

**HOWARD TOWNSHIP PARK BOARD MEETING  
PROPOSED MINUTES  
January 5, 2015**

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

**Absent:** Pauline Washington

Chairman Bergerson called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance. Bergerson reminded the Board of the need to address officer positions for 2016. Pedzinski makes a motion that the Howard Township Park Board officers remain the same for the year 2016, seconded by Deutscher, motion passed. Roll call attendance was taken and the proposed minutes of the December 7th regular meeting were presented. Gordon makes a motion to accept the minutes; Deutscher seconds; motion passed.

**Treasurer's report:** There are no outstanding expenses this month.

**Correspondence:** There is no correspondence this month.

**Old Business:**

Six more handicap signs will be ordered for the lower parking area, to be put up in the spring.

**New Business:**

The revenue/expenditure report for 4/1/2015 through 12/31/2015 was distributed and reviewed. Comparison was made between the 2015-2016 budget and the current expenditure report and each line item was discussed in relation to plans for the coming year. A proposed budget for 2016-2017 was agreed upon and Gordon will submit to the Board of Trustees for approval. The budget also includes a request for pay increase for Park Board members and Pedzinski will present a letter of request to the Board of Trustees regarding this.

There was discussion of purchasing slag to fill the lower parking area to prevent excessive pooling of water and mud during the spring thaw and extended periods of rain. Deutscher will make contacts and get estimates for this.

HTBL: There is consideration of replacing the railroad ties near the upper parking area with stones for a better look, as the wood is beginning to show deterioration. It was noted that the main pavilion at Pepper Martin needs to be repainted and the league is offering to help with this as well as repainting the split rail fencing in the handicap area for the blue to be clearly noticeable. Preparations are being made to host the State tournament in July and the league is still working on the start date and schedule for the season.

**Park Supervisor's report:**

There is no report at this time, all parks are closed for the winter season.

**Public comments:**

There were no public comments.

A motion to adjourn was made by Pedzinski, seconded by Gordon.  
The next scheduled meeting is Monday, February 1, 2016 @ 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted  
Marcia Pedzinski, secretary