Casco Township Parks & Recreation Committee Regular Meeting April 11, 2017

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- **1. Call to Order and Roll call:** Those present were: Bruce Brandon, Pam Blough, Paul Macyauski, Johanan Jessup, Ron Seiler, Rachel Ridley, John Johnson. Absent was Clay Greiffendorf. The meeting was called to order at 6:55 pm.
- **2. The Agenda** was approved with no additions or changes.
- **3. Correspondence received:** None.
- 4. **Public Comment:** None
- **5. Review and Approval of the March 14, 2017 meeting minutes.** After review and corrections to the minutes, a motion was made to accept the minutes as written with corrections. Motion carried.
- 6. Blue Star Pathway Update: No news.
- **7. Friends of the Nature Preserve:** Bruce will be checking in with Georgine Sizemore to set up a Friend's cleanup day.
- 8. Miami Park Beach Property:
 - **a.** All of the signs are here for the installation, remind Joe this needs to be done.
 - **b.** Restoration plantings: Will be checking this spring.
 - c. Neighboring Property MDEQ permit application for Tram & Toe Wall: None
- **9. Township Hall Property-Basketball Hoop:** The Board stated that there was no money now for the hoop.
- **10. First Street Stair Access:** The Stairs and Handrail will be fine for this season. The bike rack is there but needs repair.
- 11. Nature Preserve:
 - **a.** The Interpretive sign and the Funding Source signs are in but not permanently. Remind Joe that it needs to be installed permanently
 - **b.** Invasive Species: None
 - c. North Gate: None

11. Continued:

- **d.** Mowed Pathway: Some members of the Park Committee meet at 6pm, before the scheduled 7pm meeting, to mark and flag the area to be mowed for the pathway to the beach access stairs.
- **e.** Other: There seemed to be lots of standing water in the new parking lot area due to recent heavy rains.
- f. Preserve Stairs: The sand that had been washed away by the previous heavy storm, had since been replaced by the most recent storm.
- **12. Parks and Recreation Master Plan update**: This Master Plan Update was discussed at length. Pam will bring an updated draft to the May Meeting.
- **13. Update from the Township Board Representative:** Paul stated that the Road Commission will cutting down 2500 trees along the right of way this spring and summer in Casco Township.
- **14. Committee Member Comments:** Rachel commented about starting up a Face Book page for our Casco Township parks. All of the Committee members thought this was a great idea. Follow up at the next meeting.
- **15. Meeting adjourned:** A motion by John was 2nd by Ron to adjourn. This motion was approved by all. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON May 9, 2017 AT THE Township Hall

Respectfully Submitted: Kathleen Brandon Respectfully submitted: Kathleen Brandon

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