

## Clifford Township Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting May 28, 2014!

Board Members Present: Jen Long, Bob Lopatofsky, Tom Roberts, Buzz Boomer, Chaz Ross, Patti Walker! Absent from Meeting: Jan Price

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chris Marcho.

This being the first meeting, it began with introductions at the round table. Each board member introducing him/herself. The supervisors/guests in attendance were also introduced at this time, each stating his/her role with the township.

Mr. Marcho stated that the first area of business to work on will be the bylaws. It was agreed by all that the handbook for same will be looked at for the next meeting set for June 25, 2014.

Second item, selecting a board secretary. The motion was made by Buzz Boomer and second by Bob Lopatofsky to appoint Patti Walker as secretary. All were in favor.

The motion was made to schedule meetings on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Motion made by Bob Lopatofsky, second by Buzz Boomer to accept said scheduled meeting times. All were in favor!

Motion was made to accept the mission statement included in the Township Supervisors' meeting. Bob Lopatofsky made the motion; second by Buzz Boomer. All were in favor.

### Open Discussion:

Questions regarding financial responsibilities of the P&R board were raised. Clarification was made by supervisors present that all financial responsibility is in the hands of the Clifford Township Supervisors. The duties of the P&R committee are recommendations /administering ideas, and presenting to the Township Supervisors.

Larry Wilson described his maintenance position with the township and identified plans being made for a ramp, pathways, making it accessible to all areas of the park!

Buzz stated that a common vocabulary should be used for the various facilities, in light of not limiting the possibilities of use for all. Ex: basketball court not named such, rather call it a multi-purpose court, as this may be a possible site for an ice-skating rink as well.

Larry also commented on lighting ideas. These need to be worked on rather quickly in order to put into the grant proposal which is due July 21. Other items discussed: Bob reported on pavilion. He will be meeting with Forest City Rotary on June 14, to present dimensions, prices. It was suggested by Mr. Marcho that the cost be included in the upcoming grant as it is easier to take out, rather than add on. It will be determined after meeting with the Rotary as to whether this is their donation or if grant money will be used. Agreed by all that this will be the first addition as it's an attraction to all.

Mr. Marcho also stated that certain areas of work must be completed prior to applying for new grant. These consist of a sidewalk patch and parking lot work, which were included in the first grant.

The suggestion was made to designate one person from the P&R committee each month to attend the supervisor's meeting to keep all abreast of developments, as well as submitting this to Forest City News.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 25, 2014, @ 7:00 PM. in the Clifford Township Building!

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Buzz Boomer, 2nd by Tom Roberts at 8:30 PM. All were in favor of same.