## Casco Township Parks and Recreation Committee Regular Meeting Minutes November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024

- Call to Order & Roll Call: Meeting called to order at 7:04pm
   Committee members present: Don Kuick, Andy Litts, Debbie Weaver, Libby Catt, and Kelly Hecker
   Committee members absent: Paul Macyauski and Matt Super
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. **Approval of the October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Minutes:** Don motioned to approve last month's meeting minutes. Support by Kelly. Discussion of the minutes and edits made. Approved by all.
- 4. Correspondence received: none
- 5. **Public Comment:** None present.
- 6. First Street: None
- 7. Maple Grove Property: Construction is nearly done. Debbie noticed water behind bathroom.

Debbie & Kelly attended webinar for Michigan Coastal Management Program Grant funding opportunity. Committee discussed possibilities for fundraising to establish beach access. Potential friends' group, GoFundMe, or other crowdsourcing. Kelly will look into Allegan Community Foundation. Will revisit grant funding option in April.

Don suggested we mail a postcard announcing the open house in the spring, feature presentation for beach access plan & fundraising. Crowdfunding will be preferable to government grants due to additional requirement.

Debbie proposed signing up for SeeMyLegacy – an independent company based out of Ohio that advertises organizing volunteer efforts and fundraising. Cost is \$1,699 - \$2,499. Drawback is that they are a new startup (incorporated in 2024) so reliability and longevity of company is unknown.

Debbie will get a general estimate for beach access from LRE engineering group.

Signage for park is yet to be received from Pam Blough & Associates.

8. **Nature Preserve:** Don has flower bulbs. Group will plan to meet on Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 1pm to meet at Nature Preserve for planting.

Potholes have been filled in.

Don noted that gate was open on his way here. Need to adjust timer.

9. **Township Hall:** Pickleball net has not yet been taken down. Andy will talk to Allan about asking Brian to take it down and cap holes.

- 10. Board Update: no board member present.
- 11. **Round Table:** Andy future. Debbie cleared tall brush along bluff with Kelly; looks nice. Libby none. Kelly making sure we see bids on our bigger projects. will work on getting budget. Don maintenance. Get required signage from Pam Blough for project pollinators & clay bluff.
- 12. Adjournment: Adjourned at 8:22pm

Next meeting date set for Tuesday, December 10th, 2024 at 7:00pm at Casco Township Hall.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Kelly Hecker