

**Approved Minutes
Mt. Pleasant Parks and Recreation Commission
Tuesday, May 21, 2013
7:00 p.m., City Hall**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** - Meeting called to order at 7:02 by Chair R. Roberts.
- II. **ATTENDANCE AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**
 - A. Commission Members: Nagler, Roberts, Weaver, Winslow
 - B. Parks and Recreation Staff: Bundy, Hofer, Way
 - C. Guests: None
 - D. Public Attendance: None
- III. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES & COMMISSION BUSINESS**
 - A. Approval of Minutes — A motion was made by Comm. Weaver, second by Comm. Nagler to approve the minutes of Tuesday, April 25, 2013.
MOTION CARRIED.
- IV. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** - None
- V. **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**
 - A. Parks – Director Bundy gave the following update:
 - Chipp-a-Waters restroom issue on 5/17 during Nature Day (septic tank needed pumping).
 - Upgrades to spray park – adding sand and pea gravel/bricks. Planned opening May 24.
 - Planting 85 new trees in various parks.
 - Invasive garlic mustard growing in Chipp-a-Waters and Mill Pond Parks – ongoing project to remove.
 - Rotary Club voted yes to fundraise ½ funds for replacement of small bridge @ Nelson Park (scheduled for 2014).
 - Staff did outstanding job cleaning up Lower Pickens and Island Park after spring flooding.
 - Stu's Electric motor interested in donating small portion of property to the City contiguous to Pickens Field. Environmental study to be conducted. Comm. discussed and gave consent to move forward.
 - Working with M.P. Little League, Girls Youth Softball and Recreation regarding poor turf conditions in sports fields at Island Park, Pickens and Sunnyside; treatments cut out of budget a few years

ago; will be adding back into 2014 budget (irrigation & treatments) as well as treating all sports fields in 2013.

- New bleachers put up at sand volleyball courts thanks to Community Foundation grant.
- Yost field – M.P. Baseball Association fundraising for irrigation and concession stand.
- Attended SWAN neighborhood meeting; citizens brought up Canal Street Park. Would like to see playground equipment. Will discuss during master planning process in 2014.

B. Recreation – Steve Hofer reported on the following programs and events:

- PEAK afterschool ends June 6th – PEAK-nic to be held 5/30.
- Summer Camp & PEAK planning and staff training.
- Tee-ball and spring soccer up and running with 420 participants total. Received good feedback on participant t-shirts.
- MASA state tournament ended with 156 teams; 43 to play in Midland.
- Decrease in adult sports numbers. Softball numbers across the state are down.
- Adding Boot Camp in the park in June and Zumba in August.
- Participated in Environmental Day at Chipp-a-Waters Park on 5/17.
- Walk Mt. Pleasant started on 5/16.

VI. **OLD AND NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Annual Report Presentation – report presented to Commission.
- B. Dog Park – City Comm. approved funds for ½ engineering cost; Township board must now approve ½ funds.

VII. **OTHER BUSINESS/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

None.

VIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:00