

PARK COMMISSION  
Erie Township  
Erie, Michigan  
Regular Meeting  
December 9, 2021

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Erie Township Park Commission was called to order at 7:05 p.m. at the Erie Township Hall, Erie, Michigan.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Jackie Cowdrey	Present
Melissa Bomia	Present
Jennifer Mishka	Present
Darlene Andrzejewski	Present
Diane La Plante	Present

Also present: Kim Cousino, Recording Secretary

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Jennifer Mishka moved, supported by Darlene Andrzejewski to accept the minutes from October 7, 2021 as presented. Motion carried.

**5. BUDGET**

Discussion was held over the budget, specifically the repair and maintenance and improvements line. Discussion was also had over the current Park's and Recreation Plan and the possibility of reviewing it in the near future.

Diane La Plante moved, supported by Jennifer Mishka; to request from the Township Board an additional \$5,000 to be added to the Recreation Commission Repair & Maintenance line and for an additional \$3,000 to be added to the Recreation Commission Improvements line, for a total of \$8,000 from the general fund. Motion carried on a roll call vote, all in favor.

**6. AMENDED BY-LAWS TO REFLECT MEETING DATE CHANGE**

Jackie Cowdrey stated that the by-laws presented reflect the change of the regular monthly meetings now being held on the second Thursday of each month. Discussion was held.

Jennifer Mishka moved, supported by Melissa Bomia; to approve the by-laws as presented. Motion carried.

## **7. AMENDED PARK RENTAL AGREEMENT**

Jackie Cowdrey stated that the Park Rental Agreement presented has the following changes:

- Local Erie Little League fee is a \$50 league charge, person
- Local Erie Adult League fee is \$50 per team associated with the league, per season
- Outside Erie League fee is \$100 per reservation
- Applicants must provide proof of liability insurance if inflatable bounce houses, amusement rides, dunk tanks, etc. are going to be used at any township park.

Jennifer Mishka moved, supported by Diane La Plante to approve the Park Rental Agreement as presented. Motion carried.

## **8. MEMBER & PUBLIC COMMENT**

Diane La Plante brought up the issue of fences surrounding parks being altered to install a gate from neighboring properties to allow access from private property to the park. Diane said the township website does have fence rules and guidelines. Discussion was held. It was decided that Diane will meet with building and zoning official, Michael Demski, to determine who owns the fence surrounding Maplewood Park and South Erie Park.

Jackie Cowdrey stated that her preferred method of communication with fellow park commission members is via email, which is not a social media platform, all park correspondence will continue to be sent to fellow commissioners via email.

Jackie Cowdrey also mentioned that Danny Taylor has installed a flag pole at each park, they look great, and the solar light installed on the poles illuminate brightly.

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

Jennifer Mishka moved, supported by Jackie Cowdrey; to adjourn at 7:26 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Kimberly Cousino  
Recording Secretary

