

SHIAWASSEE COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, August 3, 2011
3rd Floor Surbeck Building
201 N. Shiawassee Street
Corunna, MI 48817
6:30 p.m.

1. **Call to Order** – Meeting called to order at 6:43PM by Vice-Chair Buckelew (waiting for a quorum)
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call:** Board Present: Bruce Robb, Tanya Buckelew, Ron Elder, Bob Downer, Nancy Zdunic and Dick Miller. Absent: Junior Love, Joe DeCaire, Tony Newman, and John Michalec. Also present: Superintendent Phil Heavilin. Public present: none
4. **Call to the Public** – No Comments from the public were offered
5. **Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Bob Downer to approve the agenda. Motion supported by Nancy Zdunic. Motion Carried.
6. **Approval of the June 1, 2011 minutes.** A Motion was made by Bruce Robb to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2011 minutes. Motion Supported by Bob Downer. Motion carried.
7. **Old Business:** None Presented
8. **New Business:** None Presented
9. **Buildings and Grounds Superintendent's Report**
 - a. The Reservation Report was distributed. Reservations are down only slightly from last year
 - b. The volunteer mowers continue to provide a valued service; we are behind on trimming as the volunteers do not like doing that part of the job. We have used Trustees on occasion to do this when we are able to spare paid staff to supervise them (the perpetual challenge with trusty use)
 - c. The volunteer caretakers for Henderson Park have moved into Owosso and no replacement has been secured. They have graciously opened the park on most weekends anyway with the superintendent covering the balance. In order to cope with this, we have left the gates open 24/7 and only opened the restrooms when there is a reservation on a pavilion.
 - d. Vandalism at Shiatown Park: graffiti sprayed on much of the interior of the new pavilion (East Park). A police report was filed, photos taken, and the damage was cleaned up with little residual traces. The handle on the hand pump (West Park) was broken off. That has been repaired but it will remain off for the remainder of the season (this is not drinkable water anyway)
 - e. Per a conversation with Tony Newman, the Michigan Land Bank apparently intends to remove the Shiatown Dam. Also, the log jam is supposed to be removed in 2011.
 - f. Guardrail is scheduled for installation this month to block off the Shipman Road entrance to Kerby Park's drive. The hope is to eliminate the major wear on that drive by traffic using the drive as a shortcut between Shipman and Kerby Roads.
10. **Commissioners heard:** none
11. **Good and Welfare:**

Bob Downer asked if there was play equipment at the de-commissioned Pine Grove Park that could be removed and utilized at Geeck Road. Superintendent Heavilin reported that the swing set there was in very good shape and would be better utilized at Geeck Road. Downer made a motion to allow the AMVETS to remove the swing set from Pine Grove Park and set it at Geeck Road Park. The motion was supported by Dick Miller. Motion passed.

12. Next Meeting: October 5, 2011, 6:30 p.m., 3rd floor Surbeck Bldg., 201 N. Shiawassee St., Corunna, MI.

13. Adjourn: A motion was made to adjourn by Dick Miller; supported by Bob Downer. Motion carried.
Adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Bruce Rob, Secretary to the Shiawassee County Parks & Recreation Commission