



**CITY OF ALLEGAN
Parks Commission Meeting
Allegan, MI 49010
Monday, March 2, 2015 6:30 pm**

****MEET AT GRISWOLD AUDITORIUM**
401 Hubbard St.
Allegan, MI 49010**

MINUTES

- I. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.
- II. Attendance: Lori Perkins, Bert Brouwer, Cyndi Reed, Betty McDaniel, Becky Rininger and Greg Penny

Absent: Paula Mintek

Also Present: Aaron Haskin, Rob Hillard, Tony McGee
- III. Approval of minutes from February 2, 2015: Aaron was asked to amend the proposed minutes. He will amend the minutes and present for approval at the next meeting.
- IV. Old Business:
 - A. Riverfront Redevelopment: Tony McGee with Abonmarche Consultants presented the Riverfront Plaza design currently being prepared. The Commission was pleased that it will be well landscaped and asked if the landscape architect could attend a meeting to discuss the plantings.
 - B. Parks Promotion Brochure: The Commission reviewed and discussed the latest draft of the brochure. They would like a few more changes and some different pictures on it. Aaron will have Abonmarche make the changes. Cyndi volunteered to enhance the description of the 2nd Street Bridge for the brochure.

- C. Rossman Park Tennis Court: Greg shared his research on outdoor basketball court surface options. An acrylic sealer over the pavement quoted by Racquet Sports with posts and backstops will run approximately \$9500. This is one of the Parks Commissions goals to convert the tennis court to a basketball court.
- D. Tree Removals between Mahan Park and the vacant lot on Brady Street: The Commission discussed removing several of the coniferous trees between the vacant lot and Mahan Park. Their recommendation, if the trees are removed, is to landscape the area with native grasses and plants with a walking path through the middle. They are also recommending the removal of the conifer tree in Mahan Park which has lost a lot of its needles. If the vacant lot is not going to be developed in the near future they would like to see topsoil added and nicer grass grown and maintained.
- E. Benches for vacant lots: Aaron shared information on the benches that he has been purchasing for the downtown area. The Commission recommended using the Summit Supply benches with the Victorian ends and wood slats.
- F. Jaycee Park Trash Receptacles: Aaron shared information on trash receptacles that have been placed in several areas in the City. The receptacles are the black stretched metal cans with dome lids and black can liners. This style is currently in place along the front of the cemetery and at Rossman Park. If the budget permits the Commission is recommending these be placed in the back part of Jaycee Park.

V. New Business

VI. Comments

- The 1st Monday of April is Spring Break week and many members will not be able to attend. The Commission decided to schedule the next meeting for April 13 at 6:00 pm.

VII. Adjournment – the meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm

The minutes of this meeting will be available at City Hall, 112 Locust Street, and Allegan MI 49010 (269)673-5511