

**MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 8, 2017
NEGAUNEE ICE ARENA**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gerry Corkin, John Thomas, Anna Mattson, Luke Hubbard & Jeff Rogers

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bill Carlson

OTHERS PRESENT: Derek DuShane

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion by Rogers and second by Thomas to accept the December 2016 minutes. Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Jackson Park Pavilion RFP

The City advertised for proposals for the Jackson Mine Park Pavilion architectural and engineering services. The City received proposals from GEI Consultants and UPEA. The pavilion ad-hoc committee reviewed the proposals and chose GEI Consultants. City staff and the pavilion ad-hoc committee will work with GEI on the design, cost and grant application for the pavilion. The City will be submitting a 2017 grant application to the MDNR trust fund to assist in funding the project.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bernie Rivers Field Park Update

The City received confirmation from the State on January 30, 2017 that an extension of the project has been granted. The extension allows all additional work to be completed by September 30, 2017. Following a discussion on the project a motion was made by Thomas and second by Rogers to move forward with a scoreboard, concrete accessibility for bleachers/concession area, pavilion and paved pathways to be completed in that order as monies allow. A brief discussion occurred and amendment was made by Thomas and second by Corkin to the original motion to not include the paved pathways. Motion passed. Any remaining monies available following the completion of the above projects will be used with State approval.

OTHER BUSINESS – UPDATES

NHS 2017 All-Night Party

The NHS All-Night party committee has reserved the Negaunee Ice Arena for June 2, 2017 and has asked the board if they would consider reducing the rental fee. The party will run from 10pm Friday until 6am Saturday with the committee doing all setup and tear down. The ice arena will have the event staffed during the hours of 10pm to 6am. Following a discussion a motion by Thomas and second by Rogers based on staff wages and material not to exceed a \$200.00 fee. Motion passed. City staff will work on the details with the committee.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00pm

