

**MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2017
NEGAUNEE ICE ARENA**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gerry Corkin, Anna Mattson & Luke Hubbard

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jeff Rogers & John Thomas

OTHERS PRESENT: Derek DuShane & Mary Beth Kurtz

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Marybeth Kurtz Negaunee resident and business owner spoke on behalf of the downtown business owners requesting the use of the City owned farmers market tents and tables. They would like to use them for Oktoberfest on September 23, 2017. They have been able to utilize the tents in the past for this event and have been told by City staff that the tents would no longer be available. She is asking the City to reconsider their decision of not allowing the tents to be loaned out.

NEW BUSINESS:

Farmers market tents/table usage

Following a discussion on the use of the farmer's market tents/tables for the Oktoberfest. A motion by Mattson and second by Corkin to allow the use of the farmers market tents/tables for the Oktoberfest at no charge with the possibility of the group making a donation to the City following the event. Motion passed.

Fee schedule for Farmers Market tents/tables

City staff along with the parks and recreation commission has been tasked with coming up with a fee schedule for the use of the farmers market trailer and its contents of tents, tables & chairs. The City currently doesn't have fee for the use of the trailer however it is used frequently for various events throughout the year. City staff and board members will gather information on this topic to be discussed at our October meeting.

2017/2018 Ice Schedule

City staff presented the 2017/2018 ice season schedule to the board for their review. After a discussion regarding schedule a motion by Mattson and second by Hubbard to accept the 2017/2018 ice schedule. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bernie Rivers Field Park Project - Update

City staff brought the board up to date on the project. The City solicited bids for the purchase and construction of a 24'X 24' pavilion and concrete slab. The City awarded the pavilion purchase bid to Penchura LLC in the amount of \$16,950 and the construction bid to Stonehouse Inc. in the amount of \$19,420. The pavilion will be delivered in early October with the construction to begin immediately following the delivery.

Jackson Mine Park – Update

City staff is still waiting on our preliminary scores from the State on the Trust fund grant application.

OTHER BUSINESS – UPDATES

Negaunee Beautification Committee Report

The NBC along with City staff will be putting up the Miners Park and pocket park signage.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15pm