

**MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
MEETING OF OCTOBER 12, 2016
NEGAUNEE ICE ARENA**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Anna Mattson, Luke Hubbard & Jeff Rogers

MEMBERS ABSENT: Gerry Corkin & John Thomas

OTHERS PRESENT: Derek DuShane, Jeff Thornton, Nicole Carlson, Don Mourand, Jim Thomas & Dave Dompierre

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Hubbard and second by Mattson to accept the September minutes. Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Negaunee Co-op Preschool

Nicole Carlson representing the Negaunee Co-op preschool presented the idea of doing a food truck rally in June of 2017 at Miners Park as a fundraiser for the school. The board liked the idea. City staff will work with the school to finalize a date, times and placement of the trucks to accommodate on street parking.

Jackson Park Pavilion Group

The Jackson Park Pavilion group would like to solicit a bid for a RFP from qualified consultants to provide design, engineering and construction services for the pavilion with storage and restroom facilities. The group envisions the project being done in phases as the monies become available thru grants, fundraising and outside donors. After a discussion on how to best move the project forward, a motion by Rogers and second by Hubbard for the Jackson Park Pavilion group, City manager and staff to move forward with an RFP for the pavilion. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bernie Rivers Field Park Project - Update

City staff brought the board up to date on the project. As of the October meeting the total cost of the project to date is \$139,591.51 with some electrical work and wood chips to be completed yet in 2016. The City staff and Penchura will be writing a letter to the State requesting an extension to the grant to allow us to spend the additional monies on the projects discussed.

OTHER BUSINESS – UPDATES

Negaunee Beautification Committee Report

The NBC has additional monies left from the Romney grant they received in the spring of 2016. The group has inquired if the additional money can be carried over and spent in 2107. The City manager asked if the NBC group would discuss taking on a project at the Negaunee Cemetery. Anna will bring it up to the group and contact the City manager.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:30pm

