MINUTES PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING OF JANUARY 9, 2019 NEGAUNEE ICE ARENA

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gerry Corkin, Jeff Rogers & Anna Mattson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Luke Hubbard & John Thomas

OTHERS PRESENT: Derek DuShane, Nate Heffron, Debi Cook, Deb Jean, Susan Lakanen & Margaret Twichell

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Rotary Club of Ishpeming – Teal Lake Project

The second public hearing was held on a potential project involving the Rotary and the Cities of Ishpeming and Negaunee. The project would include an ADA swimming, fishing & boating access point on the west end of Teal Lake located in the Al Qual area. Members of the public spoke to endorse the project and thanked the Rotary and Cities for promoting silent sports. The third public hearing will be held February 13, 2019.

Upper Peninsula Community Rowing Club

The UPCRC is interested in piloting a small boat rowing program on Teal Lake in cooperation with the City of Negaunee. The group would need space to store equipment, beach area to launch boats & access to electricity. They are requesting a 1-year land use agreement to gauge interest to then determine long term plans. Following a discussion, a motion by Rogers and second by Mattson to approve the concept while City staff works to accommodate the UPCRC requests. Motion passed. The land use agreement will be brought back to the board for approval at its next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jackson Mine Park IOHT Pavilion – Update

GEI Consultants has finalized the plans and will be sending them to the MDNR for approval in January. Following MDNR approval the plans will be going out for bids.

OTHER BUSINESS – UPDATES NBC Report – None

Upper Peninsula Climbers

The group is currently working with the County mine inspector on moving the project forward.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:05pm