

**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
July 29, 2014**

Therese Longe, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. at 851 S. Eton.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pat Bordman, Ross Kaplan, Therese Longe, John Meehan, Ryan Ross, Bill Wiebrecht and Scott Cusimano, Student Representative

MEMBERS ABSENT: Art Stevens and Alex Cross, Student Representative

ADMINISTRATION: Lauren A. Wood, Director of Public Services, Connie J. Folk, Recreation Coordinator

GUESTS: Marcia Kaline, Marshall Lasser (*met at Linden Park*), Dave Palmeri (*met at Linden Park*)

It was moved by Pat Bordman, seconded by John Meehan to adjourn the meeting and to travel to Linden Park for the beginning of the parks assessments. The Parks board members and guests visited Linden Park, observed from Linden Park the disconnect to Linn Smith Park, walked the Rouge River Trail Corridor and traveled to St. James Park.

Yeas – 5 (Pat Bordman, Ross Kaplan, Therese Longe, John Meehan, Bill Wiebrecht)

Nays – 0

Absent-Art Stevens, Ryan Ross (arrived after the meeting was adjourned)

Therese Longe, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 3:19 p.m. at Linden Park.

The parks and recreation board members traveled down the Rouge River Corridor towards Maple Rd. Ryan Ross commented on how nice the trail is maintained. Connie pointed out to the parks and recreation board the improvements to the river bank and also the new plantings on the trail by Oakland County.

Ross Kaplan commented to the parks and recreation board where the location of the bridge from Linden Park and Linn Smith Park could be installed.

Marshall Lasser stated to the parks board the potential placement of plants and a koi pond at the bottom of Linn Smith at either the beginning or at the end of the bridge that would connect Linden Park and Linn Smith Park.

Marshall stated to the parks board about installing plantings that would screen the house that is located on Shirley and backs up to Linden Park.

The parks board traveled to St. James Park.

Dave Palmeri stated that the St. James ball diamond needs to be crowned.

Therese asked if the parks board could receive the proposed 2007 St. James Park Conceptual Plan also documentation that was received by DPS from Terry Gates prior to the Parks Board Special Meeting on Tuesday, August 4, 2014.

Therese stated that the next special meeting will be held on August 5, 2014 and the next regular meeting will be held on August 12, 2014.

The special meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.
Connie J. Folk, Recreation Coordinator

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Approved