

GLEN ARBOR TOWNSHIP PARK BOARD

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Rick Schanhals, chairperson; Ron Calsbeek, secretary; John McIlvried and Kim Volk members.

Board Meeting on November 22, 2021

The meeting was called to order by chairperson R. Schanhals at 11:15 am.

Roll Call –All members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The agenda was approved with one addition: A report on relationships with the Leelanau School.

Welcome of New Member: Chairperson R. Schanhals welcomed Kim Volk to her first board meeting.

Public Comment: Pam Laureto reported that the old shed near the township hall parking lot will soon be removed. If the Park Board has anything of value in the shed, now is the time to remove it.

Budget Review

Several large items were identified as onetime expenses that will not need to be built into future budgets: They included replacement of basketball backboards and porous paving that was installed for placement of a ping pong table.

Payment for board member services was discussed. Each member is paid \$50 per meeting with a maximum of ten meetings in a year. In the past, board members have not accepted payment, but now in an attempt to standardize procedures across township committees, it was determined that payment should be accepted.

One line item was specified for increase for the coming year: Landscape and Lawn Services will be raised to \$10k.

Old Business

Park manager: Alternatives for the filling of this position were discussed. It was agreed that the item would be placed on the agenda for the next meeting for further consideration.

Signs for the Courts: J. McIlvried reported that the signs that outline rules and procedures for use of the tennis and pickleball courts have been received and are available for inspection. They will be stored in the park shed until spring.

Designs for Park Improvements: R. Schanhals presented designs prepared by Gosling Czubak that would make three additional pickleball courts available near the existing courts, and would rebuild tennis courts 3 and 4 while improving the landscaping on the west side of the park. The designs were created for the purpose of learning what is possible. There are no plans for implementation at this time.

Backpack Blower: on order

Replacement of Dead Tree: completed

Repair of Sprinkler Head: Work was ordered, current status uncertain.

Staining and Power Washing of Pavilion: Ordered but on hold until spring.

Basketball Surface: Paint is wearing out. It will cost \$9K to repaint the entire area.

Pickleball Courts: Some small cracks have developed. They will be inspected to see if they can be filled to prevent further damage.

Park Board Membership: No new applicants

Leelanau School: R. Calsbeek provided a brief overview of the Park Board's relationships with the school noting that the gym is again being used by pickleball players, that the contract between the school and the township has been informally extended by one year because of the Covid restrictions that made the gym unavailable during the past year. The contract should be formally amended to reflect that change. It was suggested that a meeting between school officials and the Park Board would be a good idea. This item will be on the agenda for a future meeting.

New Business:

R. Schanhals discussed his desire that the Five-Year Plan be worked on for future presentation to the township board.

Report from The Clerk: P. Laureto brought the board up to date on Township activities.

Regular Meeting Dates for The Park Board:

It was determined that the board will hold regularly scheduled meetings on the Thursday that falls in the third week of January, March, May, July, September, and November at 1:00 pm. The next meeting will be January 20, 2022. Future meetings will be held on March 21, 2022; May 19, 2022; July 21, 2022, September 22, 2022, and November 17, 2022.

Adjournment at 1:10 pm.

Ron Calsbeek, secretary