

East Bay Township Parks Commission
Monday, January 12, 2009, 6:30 PM
East Bay Township Hall
1965 Three Mile Road North, Traverse City, MI 49686

Minutes:

Chair Macdonald called meeting to order at 6:36 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call Members Present: Chair Macdonald, Rudolph, Smith, and Truelove.

Late Arrival: Brown

Absent: Couturier and Biggs.

Guests: Jerry Zeits-township employee; Todd Lewis; Dan Schillinger.

Approval of the Agenda –

Chair Macdonald suggested adding Dan Schillinger to Other Business. Board agreed. Motion by Rudolph to approve agenda; seconded by Truelove. Motion carried.

Approval of minutes of last meeting (Nov. 20, 2008) –

Rudolph motioned to approve minutes of the last meeting, Nov. 20, 2008; Chair Macdonald seconded. Motion carried.

Public Input – None.

Treasurer's Report – No money spent yet this year.

Park Maintenance Report –

Jerry Zeits updated the board on the maintenance of the parks.

Recreation Plan Approval –

Chair Macdonald stated that the Rec Plan is to be approved by the township board at their meeting tonight.

Disc Golf –

Todd Lewis' son, Mitchell gave a presentation in support of Disc Golf. Todd mentioned that he is videotaping this meeting tonight. ~~He read a statement that he had prepared listing many arguments and some complaints and questions regarding the Disc Golf proposal. He proceeded to read several letters from other people in support of this item.~~ Several comments came from the audience. Dr. Kevin Clayton also commented, and stated that he is neither in favor of nor against Disc Golf at Killingsworth Park. He stated that he is in support of equal use of the park. Todd Lewis played a video showing people playing Disc Golf. More comments from the audience. In response to a request from Truelove at the last meeting, Molly McCombs read a statement regarding the position of the DNR in relation to this item, which objected to putting a Disc Golf course in Killingsworth Park as it would endanger threatened plant and animal species and wetlands currently residing in the park. ~~Dr. Clayton suggested that Disc Golf might be a good idea, but the wrong location. Lewis tried to read more letters, but was interrupted by Truelove who argued that the approach that Lewis was taking by attempting to read several letters was taking up too much time and that they were basically saying the same thing. She did not see the~~

