Clifford Township Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes 10/26/16

Present: Jen Long, Tom Roberts, Patti Walker

Absent: Buzz Boomer, Bob Lopatofsky

There was no meeting in September, therefore no minutes to approve.

An update from Sandy Wilmot was passed on to the board. She had representatives from EMHR, DCNR and other community members visit the Children's Garden and take a brief tour of the Clifford Park Complex. All were impressed with the progress.

The progress on the restroom is about 80% complete on the inside. The brickwork on the outside is moving forward nicely as well.

Conduit and lines for the parking lot lights have been installed.

The pavilion project has been moved to Spring 2017. The supervisors would like to have the plans finalized over the winter so construction can proceed when the weather breaks.

DCNR has approved the changes submitted by Tom McLane for the multi-purpose court. A question arose about when the project must be completed by 1/2018 or 12/2018. No one at the meeting was certain.

Tom Roberts suggested hiring an outside firm to manage the DCNR grant as the project moves forward. Because the scope of the project has been reduced, Chris Marcho thinks it would not be necessary at this time.

The 2016 EMHR grant is ready to be closed out. Tom Roberts will collect all of the necessary information and the documents will be sent to EMHR.

A pre-application for the 2017 EMHR grant is due November 2016. The Township would like to apply again for funding to continue to make improvements to the park and the walking trail. A grant committee meeting will be scheduled in the near future to discuss the application and to write and submit the pre-application.

A land acquisition grant application was submitted with DCNR for \$25,000.00.

A stream study is being considered to assist with reducing erosion and helping to design a crossing.

Tree removal and maintenance was completed on the Township property.

Improvements to the gym are being discussed. This item will be added to the P&R agenda.

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the next meeting will be 11/16/16 at 7pm. There will be no December meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm.