PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

2-26-20 10:00 a.m.

Members Present: Todd Talaski, Darin Sprague & Kenneth Rathje Others Present: Troy Hartz, DPW Supervisor; Kyle Romzek, Police Chief & Jamie Learman, Office Administrator/Clerk Also in attendance: Keith Stirrett, County Veterans Administration Dr. Daniel Tighe, Grant writer Ben Willenberg, Caseville Township Supervisor

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

The members discussed the proposed grant projects at Downtown Park (Riverside Marina Property). The City intends to submit two separate grants for development of this property.

One application will be submitted to the Michigan DNR Trust Fund for development of the shoreline with seawall for stabilization, concrete access path/fishing pier, greenspace with trees, benches and tables, canoe/kayak launch, lighting, boat launches and a handicapped lift.

The second application will be to the Michigan Recreation Passport program. This application will be for the development of the house that is on the property with A.D.A. restrooms, hard surfaces for both parking and ease of movement around the property, greenspace to help control runoff and a pavilion for use during the summer for possible farmer's market type sales and an ice rink in the winter.

All present presented ideas regarding the projects. Keith Stirrett spoke with the group about the proposed handicapped lift and access path/fishing pier to allow access to the water. He felt it would make it easier for those like him in wheelchairs. Mr. Stirrett also offered input on building a ramp to access the second floor of the building, for access for all, if renovated.

After discussion with the committee additional details were added to the plan regrading access paths to the water and the proposed renovation of the house.

The committee also listened to Dan Tighe present information about the Harbor Commission's proposed grant application to the Waterways Commission. The committee members and Mr. Stirrett offered input on the proposed Harbor Plan to Dr. Tighe.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Jamie Learman Office Admin. / Clerk

Todd Talaski, Acting Chairperson