

**Gratiot County Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes**  
**September 13, 2023**  
**Alma Public Library, 500 E Superior St, Alma, MI 48801**

**Commission Member Present:** J. Lewis, T. Lambrecht, D. Yost, D. Terwilliger, D. Justin, K. Davis, & J. Bollinger

**Commission Members Absent:** H. Soderberg, D. Hessbrook, & S. Smith,

**Others Present:** P. Little & Adam Burn – Mid-Michigan Health Department

- 1. Introductions and Welcome:** All in attendance and made introductions.
- 2. Invocation**
- 3. Declaration of Quorum:** Quorum was declared with 7 members present.
- 4. Old Business**
  - a. Algae Bloom – Adam Burn from the Mid-Michigan Health Department attended the meeting to answer questions and report on the algae bloom.
- 5. Approval of Agenda:** A motion to approve the Agenda was made by K. Davis, seconded by J. Bollinger, Approved by all present, motion passed.
- 6. Approval of August 16, 2023 Minutes:** A motion to approve the minutes was made by J. Lewis, seconded by D. Terwilliger. Approved by all present, motion passed.
- 7. Public comment:** None
- 8. Financial Report:** A motion to approve the Financial Report was made by J. Bollinger, seconded by T. Lambrecht. Approved by all present, motion passed.
- 9. Directors Report:**
  - a. Buildings/Maintenance
    - i. Paint/staining projects.
    - ii. Awning for Concession stands set for November 1 completion.
    - iii. October 1 winterization of beach hoses & grounds.
    - iv. Undercoat Ford pickup.
  - b. Grounds Care
    - i. Lots of mowing and trimming.
    - ii. Wood chips around playground and landscaping.
    - iii. Tree trimming days set for after November 15.
    - iv. Algae Bloom management strategies researched.
  - c. Administration
    - i. Reservations till October 1.
    - ii. Fall schedule starts Sept 4, mangers on weekends only.
    - iii. Full-time staff oversee daily operations.
    - iv. Updates to website – more detail on site description.
    - v. Redd Park Paving project preliminary conversations with ROWE.

**10. Old Business:**

- a. **Park Acquisition Policy:** Went over the Park Acquisition Policy.
- b. **23/24 Draft Budget:** A Motion to approve the 23/24 draft budget was made by T. Lambrecht, seconded by J. Bollinger, approved by all present, motion passed.

**11. New Business:** None

**12. Additions:** None

**13. Commission Member Comments:** None

**14. Adjournment:** A Motion to adjourn was made by J. Bollinger, seconded by D. Terwilliger, approved by all present, motion carried at 6:49 pm.

  

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Jennie L Bollinger, Secretary