

Village of Roscommon  
Recreation Committee  
December 15, 2016

Present:

Sue Jock, Chair  
Connie Allen, Secretary  
Julie Crick, MSU Ext.

Nancy Smitz  
Diane Lippert  
John Rosczyk

Absent: Bill Curnelia     A RHS Student will be joining the committee

GOAL: Prepare the Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan for 2018-2023 for the Village of Roscommon to include Higgins Township. We will use the current Master Plan, revising, adding too and updating the information included therein, to include all parks, amenities, trails and natural resources.

Input process to create the new plan will include public input through Town Hall Meetings and surveys.

An update on our current plan:

**2013**

Tisdale Trail Dog Stations – Community pressure and signage is used. (Complete)

Tisdale Signage – Updated. (Complete)

Community Bike Racks – Funded by the DDA. (Complete)

Draft RMRA Fundraising Plan – Special projects were complete as needed by fundraising events such as the Jeep Jamboree, Drive One for Your Community, and Can/Bottle drives using the Love Boat.

Park Surveillance Cameras – Accomplished with the receipt of the PAR Plan Grant. (Complete)

Recreation Program Plan – No specific plan in place. Special projects ongoing include the ‘Kids Calendar’, Winter Workshops for children in cooperation with MSU Extension (6 sessions, 2 hours each, held every other Saturday in January and February from 10 AM – 2 PM) new this year is Pickle Ball. In August we offered a fun day for children in the form of an obstacle course, games and lunch. This event was cancelled as we only had two children register.

Develop Snowmobile / ATV Trail Connection Plan – Worked with the Village of Roscommon and redirected the route for a more streamline, lower impact trail. The route runs from Ballenger then out and down Main St. The problem continues as Main runs into M-76 as there is a small parcel of public property that has not granted easement.

Non-Motorized Trail Phase 1 (Wallace Park to Hilltop) – The trail was revised to only go to the River. We hit a barrier on the Hilltop property with owners, managers and leasers collaboration and then complicated by sale.

Replace Downtown Sidewalks – In progress

## **2014**

Metro Park Playground Equipment – Playground equipment was replaced using community and private donations and fundraisers (Complete),

Quiet Waters Event – No action

Replace Wallace Park Seawall – (Completed 2016)

Install Wayfinding Information Boards – No action

Non-motorized Trail Phase 2 (Bike Paths) – The proposed Iron Belle bike trail will run through the Village of Roscommon. The Iron Belle Trail is the longest designated trail in the nation. Once plans are on hand we will look at our options for all phases of trails. (On going)

## **2015**

Basketball Courts – All funding for Metro Park has been exhausted.

Non-motorized Trail Phase 3 (Library to Community Center) – (No action)

## **2016**

Tennis Courts – No funding available (No action)

Non-motorized Trail Phase 4 (Community Center to Fire Training Grounds) – (No action)

## **2017**

Non-motorized Trail Phase 5 (Fire Training Grounds to Hilltop) – (No action)

Water Feature in Metro Park – (No action)

Members are asked to update the current master plan's amenities, parks, trails, waterways, etc.

The Committee will meet Thursday, January 5, 2017 at 3:45 p.m. at the Roscommon Village Hall.4

Motion to adjourn D. Lippert, 2<sup>nd</sup> N. Smitz. Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Allen