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**Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Commission
Special Meeting: North End of Civic Center Park Conceptual Planning
Thursday, April 18, 2019, 5 p.m.
Training Room, Second Floor, Governmental Center
400 Boardman Avenue, Traverse City, Michigan 49684
MINUTES**

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 5 p.m.

C. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: David Grams*, Rob Hentschel, Rod Kivell, Steve Largent, William Mouser, John Roth, Shirley Zerafa*, Rodetta Harrand

Commissioners Excused: Whitney Waara

Others Present: Kristine Erickson, Director, Ryan Walsh, Office Manager, Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation; Chris Forsyth, Deputy Administrator, Grand Traverse County; Terry Merchand, Director, and Todd Spalding, Office Manager, Centre I.C.E.; Nate Elkins, ASLA, Studio Director, Influence Design Forum

**Arrived at 5:30 p.m.*

D. First Public Comment

There was no public comment.

E. Approval of/Additions to Agenda

MOTION by Hentschel, second by Largent to approve agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

F. Special Orders of Business/Presentations

1. North End of Civic Center Park Conceptual Planning

Consultant and Influence Design Forum Studio Director Nate Elkins made a presentation with results from his study of Civic Center Park's layout, traffic flow, including input from stakeholders. Presentation included preliminary concepts for possible future improvements to the north end of the park. Elkins answered questions.

G. Review and Approval of Minutes

1. Draft Minutes from April 11, 2019 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

MOTION by Kivell, second by Hentschel, to approve minutes from April 11, 2019 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting. Motion carried.

H. New Business

1. Boardman River Trail Earthwork Project Request for Proposals
MOTION by Grams, second by Kivell, to authorize TART Trails to issue request for proposals from contractors for excavation of a new trail bed to connect the Boardman River Trail from the Cass Road bridge to the service road at the Natural Education Reserve.
Roll Call Vote
Yeas: Grams, Hentschel, Kivell, Largent, Mouser, Roth, Zerafa, Harrand (8)
Nays: (0)
Absent: Waara (1)
Motion passed, 8 to 0.

I. Old Business

1. Draft, Proposed Parks and Recreation-Centre I.C.E. Agreement for Use of Howe Arena
MOTION by Largent, second by Roth, to authorize Director to, pending review by civil counsel, finalize and execute a new agreement between Parks and Recreation and Centre I.C.E. for use of Howe Arena at Civic Center Park from 2019 through 2030.
Roll Call Vote
Yeas: Grams, Hentschel, Kivell, Largent, Mouser, Roth, Harrand (7)
Nays: (0)
Absent: Zerafa, Waara (2)
Motion passed, 7 to 0.

J. Second Public Comment

There was no public comment.

K. Notices and Commissioner Comments

There was no notices and commissioner comments.

L. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6 p.m.