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**January 15, 2009**

The regular meeting of the East Tawas Park Board was held on Thursday, January 15, 2009, at 4:15 p.m. in the East Tawas City Park Office.

**PRESENT:** Thunberg, Elliott, O'Connor and Park Manager Frank. **ABSENT:** Klenow, Chairman Bolen and Council Representative Cano (all excused). **Guests:** Don Brannan from Stephenson, Gracik.

Moved by O'Connor, seconded by Thunberg to excuse Cano from the meeting. All ayes.

The board reviewed the claims and accounts for the month. Noting that there was a bill from Thunberg Auto, it was moved by O'Connor, seconded by Elliott to forward the bills in the amount of \$19,345.08 to council for their review with a recommendation for approval for payment. **YES:** Thunberg, O'Connor and Elliott. **NO:** None.

Moved by O'Connor, seconded by Elliott to transfer \$19,345.08 from the MIA Account to the O & M Account to pay bills pending Council approval. **YES:** Elliott, O'Connor and Thunberg. **NO:** None.

Moved by Thunberg, seconded by O'Connor to approve the minutes of the December meeting. All ayes.

Don Brannan from Stephenson, Gracik presented the 2007-08 park audit. Following his presentation, it was moved by Thunberg, seconded by Elliott to accept and approve the audit as presented. **YES:** Thunberg, O'Connor and Elliott. **NO:** None.

Moved by O'Connor, seconded by Thunberg to receive the monthly Community Center reports. All ayes.

Keith informed the board that at the time of closure of the Community Center for the Park Christmas party on December 20, there were only three teenagers in the building. So it did not appear that the early closure impacted many of the regular users.

Keith reported that he and Ron visited Carrollton high school on December 30 to check out their sound system. Keith said that it was a good day to go because they were having basketball practice when they got there with about 20-30 kids dribbling basketballs during the demonstration. He reported that the system worked great. Even with all of the basketball sounds, you could clearly hear the person speaking over the system and you could understand every word they said from anywhere in the gym. It also played music very nicely. Joe Groulx

from Simoni Systems was there as well and he has provided the City with an updated proposal that has actually gone down about \$50.00 from their original proposal. The Council is going to be discussing this at their next meeting.

Moved by Elliott, seconded by O'Connor to approve a \$100.00 sponsorship ad for Perchville 2009. **YES:** Elliott, O'Connor and Thunberg. **NO:** None.

Moved by O'Connor, seconded by Thunberg to approve the use of Harbor Park for the 2009 Kite Festival on May 30-31. **YES:** O'Connor, Elliott and Thunberg. **NO:** None.

Moved by Thunberg, seconded by O'Connor to approve the use of Harbor Park for the 2009 Freedom Festival July 3-10. **YES:** Elliott, Thunberg and O'Connor. **NO:** None.

Keith provided the board with a seasonal employee quarterly wage report for their review. The report is for the first three months of the current fiscal year.

With upgrading the park electrical system to 50A as a future goal, Keith suggested that the park should get some proposals for engineering the project. This way, if and when the time comes to do the project, the engineering could be in place and the project could be put out to bid immediately. He has asked Russo Engineering for a proposal and will be attempting to contact other engineering firms over the next few months for additional proposals.

	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>
Camper Days for December:	97	221
Camper Days to Date:	1165	1393

Moved by Thunberg, seconded by Elliott to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Keith Frank  
Park Manager