

**VEVAY TOWNSHIP
RECREATION COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
Thursday, January 5, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.
Vevay Township Hall – 780 Eden Road, Mason**

MINUTES

Members Present: Chair Roger Cargill, Secretary Mary Ruttan, and Member Patricia McNeilly
Members Absent: Vice-Chair Coe Emens and Member John Fischer
Staff Present: Supervisor John Lazet
Others Present: None

The meeting was called to order by Chair Cargill at 5:36 p.m. and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call/Excuse Absent Member. Roll call was taken and members Emens and Fischer were absent with prior notification.

Set/Amend Agenda.

MOTION McNeilly, seconded Cargill, to set the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes: McNeilly, Ruttan, and Cargill
	Absent: Emens, Fischer
	Nays: None

Approval of the December 8 and December 13, 2022, Minutes. There were no additions or corrections.

MOTION McNeilly, seconded Cargill, to approve the December 8 and December 13, 2022, minutes as presented.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes: Cargill, McNeilly, and Ruttan
	Absent: Emens, Fischer
	Nays: None

Approval of the 2022 Annual Report. There were no additions or corrections.

MOTION McNeilly, seconded Cargill, to approve the 2022 Annual Report as presented.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes: Ruttan, Cargill, and McNeilly
	Absent: Emens, Fischer
	Nays: None

Public Comment. Supervisor Lazet would like to distribute the annual report to the residents through the Township E-news.

Year in Review. No discussion.

Spark Grant Update. The \$1 million Spark Grant request was submitted on December 19, 2022. The first-round grant award totaling \$15 million will be announced during the week of January 30, 2023. The second-round grant awards totaling \$25 million will be offered in the spring of 2023. The third-round grant awards totaling \$25 million will be offered in the summer of 2023.

What to do next? Chair Cargill presented a proposed 2023 Roadmap (timeline). Discussion followed on the following items:

- Strategy and timing if we are not awarded the first round Spark Grant
- What should be included in applying for the Round 8 Ingham County Trails And Parks Millage Grant
- Applying for a second Passport Grant
- Applying for a Community Foundation Grant for playground equipment

Support Network Strategy. The Commission recognized the need to create a small support network group. The volunteer group would promote community-wide awareness and support/advocate park and trail improvements. Each Commission member was asked to submit two possible names. At the February Commission meeting, we will discuss the platform for the group. Community involvement is essential to the success of the implementation of the recreation master plan.

Any Other Business. None

Additional Public Comment. Supervisor Lazet spoke on how to produce deliverables.

Adjournment.

MOTION McNeilly, seconded Cargill, to adjourn at 6:44. Carried Unanimously.



Mary Ruttan, Secretary