

**Sparta Recreational Authority  
Kent County, Michigan  
Meeting Minutes  
August 06, 2020 at 7:00 PM  
Meeting held at SRA Park**

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Roll Call** Fawcett, Maier, Miles, Peak, Shangle, Steffens, Whalen present

**4. Additions or Corrections to the Business & Consent Agenda**

Consent Agenda

**Added b and c new business agenda**

A. Approve SRA Meeting Minutes of July 08, 2020

**5. Approval of Consent Agenda and Business Agenda 7-0 passed**

**6. Public Comment None**

**7. Public Hearing**

None

**8. Unfinished Business**

- A. Concession Stand Update Driscoll presented updated schedule reflecting 2 week push with completion 9-30-20. Driscoll held off Fence consultants because of poor root development of baseball field grass Discussion about FRP took place with a comment about warranty from Fawcett. ~~Driscoll announced that there is no warranty because Driscoll is doing work for free~~
- B. Land Water Grant Update Driscoll requested a detailed report so he can prepare submittals to DNR before October 1st
- C. Trust Fund Grant Update
- D. Memorial / Eagle Scout Project Update Ryan reported brick to be delivered 8-13-20. Then engraved brick will be taken to Custom Sandblasting for engraving. Planning a few work days per his Eagle Scout requirements

**9. New Business**

- A. Letter to Choice One Bank Morse was reached by phone to elaborate on meeting with bank. Motion Shangle supported by Maier Vote 4-3 to decline 150K for choice one on the road sign !!
- B. Security and Lighting Bob Maier reported bids received. Driscoll advised that Bob Buchanan from Kingdom fire protection will donate cameras installed. Discussion about Wi-Fi and dvr ensued
- C. Signage- AYSO etc.. Tom requested approval to display sponsor signs during active paly on Saturdays. Operations team to review and report at next SRA meeting Question was asked what is the cut to SRA? Fee to use fields to be determined.

**10. Committee Reports**

- Construction committee (Steffens, Maier) Driscoll presented updated schedule and reported that all field accoutrements will be delivered 2<sup>nd</sup> week in September, 5 bids for gravel to be received by end of the week. Concession moving along Maier reported that flag poles were

ordered and will be installed this weekend. Spool of conduit for electrical distribution should be delivered this week for installation by Water works. Maier advised that there are numerous ruts that need to be filled. Hole along drive was pointed out for filling. Curb cut in and sign base to follow.

- Finance committee (Whalen, Shangle, Steffens)  
Shangle reported current balance 316,428.00.
- Fundraising committee (Peak, Fawcett)  
A few businesses are being solicited
- Communication (Fawcett, Miles, VanPatten)  
Miles to continue posting good progress on Facebook. Discussion about website updating and online reservation platform discussed
- Operations committee (Gleason, Peak, Shangle) No report submitted To review signage request.  
Online platform to be reviewed

**11. Approval of Bills** including KVH invoice of 46,000.00 Motion to approve bills by Shangle supported by Maier was approved by unanimous vote 7-0

**12. Communications**

Peak advised that Cross Country is ready to run and requested formal approval to do so.

Comment about insurance and porta potties was made. Question was asked about a formal park opening date and board seems happy with 2021?

**13. Public Comment**

Dale Bergman is pleased to see tractor parade came through the park.

Jim Lynema asked about CDBG trail project and expressed concerns about an opportunity for the public to weigh in. Will there be a public hearing? He asked when the township residents who own the park can access it. He asked that SRA "do things right" It was advised that Village Manager was leaving.

Peak asked about basketball court space in the parking lot.

**14. Adjournment 9:22 by executive privilege**