

Chairman Blackstock called regular meeting of the East China Park Commission to order at 7:30 PM.

**Attendance:** Beaudua, Blackstock, Franko, Kramm, Mollan and Phillips. Ralston excused.

Audience: Trustee Simons and resident Tom Ebelt.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the January 14, 2008 meeting were read. Motion to accept was made by Mollan supported by Phillips and carried.

**Bills:** The bills were reviewed. Check to see if something can be done to reduce the gas usage. Motion to accept the bills for January 2009 was made by Kramm supported by Mollan and carried.

**Township Reports:** Mr. Simons reported that the water would not be available for making snow until at least March.

**Review Recreational Grants:** No discussion.

**5 Year Plan:** Mr. Ebelt again offered his assistance in getting the disc golf course going. Mr. Beattie will be contacted on the disc golf for 2009. We will contact Roger to see if a list of items for the parks has been generated so these can be ordered. Mr. Blackstock is still trying to get all the necessary information in place before pursuing the purchase of the property on Belle River Road to be used for the proposed canoe/kayak launch site.

**Budget 2009:** There is some concern that the Heat expense allotment for 2009 will fall short because of the colder weather and higher cost of gas per unit.

**Other Items:** Mr. Reggie Malcolm has resigned as park manager as of 2/4/09. Mr. Blackstock will talk with the Township to see what can be done to replace him.

Commission received a request to put a perennial garden in the main park by the organizers of the Suicide Prevention Walk. Mrs. Kramm will contact Stacy Hussan for more details.

Marine City TIFA contacted us about supporting them in the development of a recreation program. Members of the Commission will look over the proposal and report back.

A motion to adjourn was made by Franko supported by Mollan @ 8:42 PM

## **Next Meeting March 11,2009@7:30PM**

### Park Commission Agenda for March 11, 2009

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Attendance
- 3) Minutes
- 4) Review of Bills
- 5) Township Reports
- 6) Review Recreational Grants
- 7) 5 Year Plan
- 8) 2009 Budget
- 9) TIFA Proposal
- 10) Any Items for the Commission

Secretary Wayne Phillips

