

**MINUTES**

*THE BUCHANAN AREA RECREATION BOARD (B.A.R.B.) OF THE CITY OF BUCHANAN in compliance with Michigan’s Open Meetings Act, hereby gives notice of a regular meeting.*

**I. Call to Order**

Plank called meeting to order at 6:02 PM

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**III. Roll Call**

**Present: Rachel Plank, Wendi Heyliger, Cayde Heyliger, Jennifer Popielski and Sean Denison.**

**Absent: Megan Weedon**

Due to Weedon’s absence, Plank agreed to take Minutes.

**IV. Approve Agenda**

Motion made by Heyliger, seconded by Popielski, to approve the agenda. Voice vote shows unanimous approval.

**V. Public Comment - Agenda Items Only (3-minute limit)**

Diana Clark, TMRP Sports – Would like to see outdoor Pickleball Courts in Buchanan. Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the United States. TMRP Sports is one of four Pickleball paddle manufacturers in the United States and they are located in the City of Buchanan. She would encourage B.A.R.B. and the Buchanan City Commission to support Pickleball Courts in the future.

Tony Houser, Resident – Informed the B.A.R.B. that his non profit has raised close to \$25,000.00 and possibly more, and would like to see this used towards installing Pickleball Courts in one of the City Parks. He also thanked Diana Clark for coming to the meeting and agreed with her comment.

**VI. Approve Minutes**

Approval of May 11, 2022 minutes.

Motion made by Plank, seconded by Heyliger to approve the amended minutes presented by Plank from May 11, 2022 with a correction to denote “Cayde Heyliger” and Wendi “Heyliger” correctly spelled.

Yes: Unanimous

No:

**VII. Unfinished Business-**

**A. Formal Resignation of Frantz and Hanson.**

After discussion that Grace, City Manager has received in writing the resignations of both parties via email,

Plank motioned to accept the resignation of Frantz and Hanson. Denison seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote showed unanimous support.

**B. Bylaw's update.**

Bylaws were approved at the May 23, 2022 City Commission Meeting. B.A.R.B discussed that there are seven members according to the Bylaws, of which there is now one open seat to be filled by the City of Buchanan.

**VIII. New Business**

**A. Jen Tabor – Softball Field Proposal**

Tabor appeared via ZOOM Video Conference call and presented a layout of her thoughts and ideas to address ongoing parking and vandalism issues with the “Old Stark School Building” and the Softball Fields located on the parcel to the south. B.A.R.B. encouraged her to reach out to the BYBSA Board and invite them to our next meeting held September 14, 2022 at 6:00pm at the Chamber of Buchanan City Hall, to discuss ideas.

**B. Playground Equipment**

Drawings and possible layouts were included in the last meeting packet, but there was no quorum. The B.A.R.B. has now viewed the packet.

**C. Disc Golf Park – No discussion**

**D. Consider an application submitted by Jeanne Harris to join B.A.R.B.**

**E. Consider an application submitted by Tony Houser to join B.A.R.B.**

**F. Consider an application submitted by Dan Vigansky to join B.A.R.B.**

Jeanne Harris was unable to attend the meeting due to a previous engagement, but was represented by Tony Houser. Houser stated that he felt Harris was the best candidate. Popielski voiced support for Harris. Plank asked Houser if he was still interested, as he was supporting Harris. He expressed interest, but is also on another City Board and felt Harris would offer a new voice on the Board. Plank expressed that Vigansky was recently removed from the Board, and felt a longer period of time should elapse before considering him. As only one seat is available on the Board:

Popielski motioned to recommend to the Buchanan City Commission that they appoint Jeanne Harris to join B.A.R.B., and that Houser and Vigansky not receive recommendation for the Board. Denison seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote showed unanimous support.

**IX. Public Comment - Non-Agenda Items Only (3-minute limit)**

Houser again supported Pickleball courts and the appointing of Harris to B.A.R.B.

**X. Executive Comments**

None

**XI. Adjourn**

Plank adjourned the meeting at 6:51 P.M..