

**CITY OF GRAND HAVEN  
GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN**

**Parks and Recreation Board**

**Meeting Minutes  
March 6, 2024**

The Parks and Recreation Board meeting was called to order on March 6, 2024 at 6.00 p.m. at the City Hall Council Chambers.

**Roll Call:** Winsome Bricker, Co-Chair  
Tami Harvey  
Lynn Groothuis

**Absent:** Bruce Baker, Chair  
Jim DeVries

Also Present: Matt Wade, Streets & Utilities Manager and Board Liaison, Anthony Fiore, Grand Haven Chapter - Coast Guard Chief Petty Officers Association

**Approval of Minutes** from the February 7, 2024 meeting:

A motion was made by Harvey and seconded by Groothuis to approve the P&R Board Meeting Minutes from February 7, 2024.

**Motion was approved 3-0**

**New Business**

**24-18 Consideration by the Parks and Recreation Board to Approve a brick memorial dedicated to all members of U.S. Coast Guard who lost their "Lives in The Line of Duty" in the entire United States located in Escanaba Park.**

A motion was made by Harvey and seconded by Groothuis to approve the the brick memorial dedicated to all members of U.S. Coast Gurad wo lost their "Lives in the Line of Duty", placed in Escanaba Park.

**Motion was approved 3-0**

**24-19     Park Use Permit – Rock The Coast (Recurring)**

<b>Request Made by:</b>	Ceryl Houda
<b>Type of Event:</b>	Charity fund raiser for Shields of Hope
<b>Location:</b>	Green Space at Chinook Pier
<b>Date(s) of Event:</b>	Friday, July 19 through Saturday, July 20, 2024
<b>Time Frame:</b>	Event: 10:00am to 9:00pm Friday 10:00am to 8:30pm Saturday
<b>Attendee Count:</b>	200
<b>Notes</b>	

A motion was made by Harvey and seconded by Groothuis to approve Rock the Coast, held in the green space at Chinook Pier, Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, July 20, 2024, from 10:00am to 9:00pm.

**Motion was approved 3-0**

**24-20    Special Event – Feast of the Strawberry Moon (Recurring)**

<b>Request Made by:</b>	Collin Lamore
<b>Type of Event:</b>	Historical Reenactment
<b>Location:</b>	Harbor Island
<b>Date(s) of Event:</b>	Sunday, June 8 and Sunday June 9, 2024
<b>Time Frame:</b>	Event: 9:00am to 5:00pm
<b>Attendee Count:</b>	2,500
<b>Notes</b>	

A motion was made by Harvey and seconded by Groothuis to approve Feast of the Strawberry Moon, held at Harbor Island, Saturday, June 8 and Sunday, June 9, 2024, from 9:00am to 5:00pm.

**Motion was approved 3-0**

**24-21    Park Use Permit – Grand Haven Jeep Fest – Amended Request**

<b>Request Made by:</b>	Jason Rogers
<b>Type of Event:</b>	Jeep Show, Food Trucks, Music
<b>Location:</b>	Lynne Sherwood Waterfront Stadium
<b>Date(s) of Event:</b>	Saturday, May 18, 2024
<b>Time Frame:</b>	Event: 8:00am to 5:00pm
<b>Attendee Count:</b>	1,500-2,000
<b>Notes</b>	This event was previously approved at the October Parks and Rec meeting.

A motion was made by Groothuis and seconded by Harvey to approve Grand Haven Jeep Fest Amended Request, held at the Lynne Sherwood Waterfront Stadium, Saturday, May 18, 2024, from 8:00am to 5:00pm.

**Motion was approved 3-0**

**24-22    Easter Egg Hunt (Recurring)**

**Request Made by:**    Jess Garrison  
**Type of Event:**        Easter Egg Hunt for the Community  
**Location:**              Grand Haven Central Park  
**Date(s) of Event:**    Saturday, March 30, 2024  
**Time Frame:**           Event: 11:00am to 12:00pm  
**Attendee Count:**    2,000  
**Notes**

A motion was made by Harvey and seconded by Groothuis to approve Easter Egg Hunt, held at Grand Haven Central Park, Saturday, March 30, 2024, from 11:00am to 12:00pm.

**Motion was approved 3-0**

**24-23    Special Event – YMCA Day Camp (Recurring)**

**Request Made by:**    Kelly Haracourt  
**Type of Event:**        Summer Day Camp and Youth Programs  
**Location:**              Mulligans Hollow Field  
**Date(s) of Event:**    Sunday's, June 16 through August 24, 2024  
**Time Frame:**           Event: 6:30pm to 9:00pm  
**Attendee Count:**    500-2,000  
**Notes**

A motion was made by Groothuis and seconded by Harvey to approve the YMCA Day Camp, held at Mulligans Hollow, Sunday's, June 16 through August 24, 2024, from 6:30pm to 9:00pm.

**Motion was approved 3-0**

**24-24    Special Event – Sand Sculpture Contest (Recurring)**

**Request Made by:**    Marci Cisneros  
**Type of Event:**        Sand Sculpting Competition  
**Location:**              Grand Haven City Beach  
**Date(s) of Event:**    Saturday, June 15, 2024  
**Time Frame:**           Event: 9:00am to 1:00pm  
**Attendee Count:**    1,000

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A motion was made by Groothuis and seconded by Harvey to approve the Sand Sculpture Contest, held at Grand Haven City Beach, Saturday, June 15, 2024, from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

**Motion was approved 3-0**

### **24-25    Park Use Permit – Robertson - Burton Wedding**

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**Request Made by:** Rebecca Burton  
**Type of Event:** Wedding  
**Location:** Central Park  
**Date(s) of Event:** Saturday, October 19, 2024  
**Time Frame:** Event: 4:00pm to 5:00pm  
**Attendee Count:** 125  
**Notes**

A motion was made by Groothuis and seconded by Harvey to approve the Robertson – Burton Wedding, held at Grand Haven Central Park, Saturday, October 19, 2024, from 4:00pm to 5:00pm.

**Motion was approved 3-0**

### **24-26    Special Event – Amazing Race Fundraiser**

**Request Made by:** Kathryn Snyder  
**Type of Event:** Non-Profit Amazing Race Fundraiser  
**Location:** Lynne Sherwood Waterfront Stadium  
**Date(s) of Event:** Sunday, May 19, 2024  
**Time Frame:** Event: 10:00am to 6:00pm  
**Attendee Count:** 200  
**Notes**

A motion was made by Groothuis and seconded by Harvey to approve the Amazing Race Fundraiser, held at the Lynne Sherwood Waterfront Stadium, Sunday, May 19, 2024, from 10:00am to 6:00pm.

**Motion was approved 3-0**

### **24-27    Park Use Permit – King / Fedewa Wedding**

**Request Made by:** Jill King  
**Type of Event:** Wedding  
**Location:** Central Park  
**Date(s) of Event:** Saturday, April 27, 2024

**Time Frame:** Event: 4:00pm to 5:00pm  
**Attendee Count:** 125  
**Notes**

A motion was made by Groothuis and seconded by Harvey to approve the King – Fedewa Wedding, held at the Grand Haven Central Park, Saturday, April 27, 2024, from 4:00pm to 5:00pm.

**Motion was approved 3-0**

**24-28    Park Use Permit – Osborn / Hubbard Wedding**

**Request Made by:** Jake Osborne  
**Type of Event:** Wedding  
**Location:** Grand Haven City Beach  
**Date(s) of Event:** Thursday, June 13, 2024  
**Time Frame:** Event: 4:00pm to 5:00pm  
**Attendee Count:** 15  
**Notes**

A motion was made by Harvey and seconded by Groothuis to approve the Osborn – Hubbard Wedding, held at the Grand Haven City Beach, Thursday, June 13, 2024, from 4:00pm to 5:00pm.

**Motion was approved 3-0**

**24-29    A Parks and Rec Board discussion regarding the future use and development of Harbor Island JB Sims power plan location.**

A motion was made by Groothuis and seconded by Harvey to continue the discussion around the future development of Harbor Island JB Sims power plan location to a future meeting where all members are in attendance.

**Motion was approved 3-0**

**General Business**

- None

**Adjournment**

The Parks and Rec Board meeting was adjourned at 6:36pm.