# PROCEEDINGS OF CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF WEST BLOOMFIELD PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

Connect Senior Center West Bloomfield, Michigan

Monday, June 16, 2025 6:00 PM

**APPROVED** 

The workshop began at 5:56 PM

Present: Chair Robert Brooks

Secretary John Erich

Treasurer Terrance Adams Commissioner Merv Aronoff Commissioner David Barash Commissioner Amy Mindell Commissioner Sally Wenczel

Staff Present: Kelly Hyer, Executive Director

Chris Frey, Parks Superintendent

Crystal M. Smith, Administrative Assistant

Public: Greg Need, Attorney, Adkison, Need, Allen & Rentrop, PLLC

#### **INTRODUCTIONS**

#### **DUTIES AND SOURCES OF AUTHORITY OF PARK COMMISSIONS**

Attorney Need reviewed Public Act 157 of 1905, MCL- Section 41.421 Township Parks and Places of Recreation with the Commissioners.

#### ROLES OF COMMSSION AND ROLE OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Attorney Need explained that the role of a Commissioner is to ensure financial oversight, participate in the appointment process, including nomination and election procedures. He also shared that during the public forum, it is the Commissioners role to listen, take comments under advisement and refer to the Administration to look into/follow up on outstanding issues.

Attorney Need mentioned that the role of an Executive Director is to make strategic decisions, steer the organization toward sustained growth and success, and oversee daily operations.

REVIEW OF COMMISSION BY-LAWS, RULES OF CONDUCT, ETHICS AND ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER

PROCESS FOR PREPPING FOR A COMMISSION MEETING

## **OPEN MEETING ACT (OMA)**

Attorney Need reviewed the OMA with the Commissioners, reminding them that it ensures meetings of public bodies are open to the public. It promotes civic engagement by allowing residents to observe decision-making processes affecting their communities.

# FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA)

Attorney Need briefly explained the FOIA process and what is covered to the Commissioners. He shared that text messages regarding Commission business is considered a record under the Act.

## **DISCUSSION AND FEEDBACK**

Pine Lake Country Club Tee box #16 Meeting sign-in sheets add "Would you like to comment?" Public comment before Consent Agenda Public discussion after New Business

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Workshop ended at 7:42 PM

Reviewed by,

(As a permanent record, an audio tape of this meeting in its entirety is on file and will remain at the Parks and Recreation offices where it may be heard.)