

Munising Township Special Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2022 6:00 p.m. – 6:48 p.m.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present: Supervisor Lisa Howard, Clerk Patty Willson, Treasurer Nicole Graves, and Trustee Carmon Decet. Board Members Absent: Trustee Selina Balko. Also Present: Kristen Fondriest, Tarry Cornish, Rhonda Lassila, and Natalie Kentner.

Supervisor Howard opened our April 4, 2022 meeting at 6:00 p.m. leading us with the pledge.

Public Comment: None.

New Business:

Discuss and gather input for the use of approximately \$305,000 in funding from the American Rescue Plan Coronavirus State and Local Recovery Funds Program:

Kristen Fondriest

- Largest impact by coordinating with other entities and pooling resources
- Child Care
- After-school Programs
- Senior Transportation to/from appointments
- Recycling/Curbside pick up
- Would like to continue seeing open green space at McQuisten Park
- Does not support tennis courts being added in the park
- Playground expansion and ADA accessible
- Restrooms

Tarry Cornish

- Re-surface current tennis courts up to standard so schools can compete
- Include Pickleball in tennis courts. Pickleball is a growing sport in the community.
- Dog Park

Rhonda Lassila

- Signage/Maps at McQuisten Park
- ADA improvements of playground
- Paved path around park
- Doggy doo-doo bag dispensers
- Mountain bike trail expansion
- Restrooms (maybe a vault toilet)

Natalie Kentner

- Pickleball included in tennis courts
- ADA improvements to playground
- Additional playground equipment (face-to-face swing where adult and child swing together)
- Fence or path along road near playground to mark boundary
- Biking and hiking trail expansion

Public Comment:

Supervisor Howard read aloud Kelly Sippl's email which addressed the following needs/input:

- Child Care
- ADA expansion of playground
- Additional ADA playground equipment for very small/young children
- Values the green space and open areas at McQuisten Park
- Does not support using funds for tennis courts
- Restrooms
- Housing for working families

Board discussed updating the 911 signs (fire number signs) and would like to see other municipalities pool ARPA fund to accomplish this.

Next Meeting:

Next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 2, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Munising Township Office Complex.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Patty Willson, Clerk

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Lisa Howard, Township Supervisor