



**CITY OF ALLEGAN
PUBLIC SPACES COMMISSION**

**City of Allegan City Hall
231 Trowbridge Street, Allegan MI 49010
Wednesday, October 11, 2023 6:30pm**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm

2. Attendance

Present: Chair Judi McCall, Vice Chair Paula Mintek, Carl Canales, Bill Morgan, Korree Johnson, Cyndi Reed, Peter Savage

Absent: Eddie Quiñones-Walker

Others Present: Parker Johnson, Downtown Manager & Assistant to the City Manager

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion by Korree Johnson, supported by Paula Mintek, to approve the minutes from September 13, 2023. Motion carried 7-0.

4. Public Comment

5. Parks & Recreation

a. Mahan Park Improvement Grant

- i. P. Johnson gave an update regarding the Mahan Park Improvement Project including the announcement of a grant from the MEDC in the amount of \$160K towards the estimated \$400K project to enhance the park.
- ii. Bridgett Waanders and Becky Weaver, organizers of a public effort to replace the aging gazebo structure, were in the audience to share their input.

b. Review Community Recreation Survey

- i. P. Johnson reviewed the summary of the Community Recreation Survey with the group and covered highlights of the responses that will be used in the development of the Parks Master Plan.

c. Other Comments

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6. Oakwood Cemetery

a. Cemetery Ordinance Review

- i. P. Johnson reviewed the proposed Ordinance Chapter 8 Section 3 – Rules and Regulations regarding Oakwood Cemetery, with changes based on the board’s discussion over the past year. General discussion was had.
- ii. Motion to approve Ordinance Chapter 8 Section 3 as presented by Cyndi Reed, supported by Paula Mintek. Motion passed 7-0.

b. Other Comments

- i. Peter Savage gave a review of the continued work of the Friends of Oakwood Cemetery including the gravestone dedication of Private David Silence and the purchase of new headstone repair equipment to be stored at the chapel.

7. Trees

a. Other Comment

- i. Paula Mintek noted several dead branches over the Rossman Esplanade Labyrinth.

8. Downtown Improvement Project

a. Other Comment

- i. P. Johnson gave a general update on the Downtown Improvement Project.

9. Other Discussion Items

a. Other Comment

10. Comments from City Staff & Board Members

11. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:32pm.

**Respectfully submitted,
Parker Johnson
Downtown Manager & Assistant to the City Manager**