

**DELHI CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES  
SPECIAL JOINT MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 19, 2014**

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The Delhi Township Board of Trustees and the Delhi Charter Township Park Commission met in a Special Joint Meeting on August 19, 2014 in the Multipurpose Room at the Community Services Center, 2074 Aurelius Road, Holt, Michigan. Supervisor Davis and Chairperson Fulk called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Township Board Members Present: Supervisor C.J. Davis, Clerk Evan Hope, Treasurer Roy Sweet, Trustees Jon Harmon, John Hayhoe, DiAnne Warfield

Township Board Members Absent: Trustee Megan Ketchum

Park Commission Members Present: Chairperson Dennis Fulk, Vice Chairperson Steve Warfield, Secretary Jane Wallin, Commissioners Phil Knapman, Sue Lierman, Tom Miller, John Mulvaney

Park Commission Members Absent: None

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC** - None

**PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN**

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The Michigan Department of Natural Resources requires that community recreation plans be updated every five years as criteria to receive funding from the state in the form of grants for park and open space acquisition, park development and existing park improvements.

Bob Ford, Landscape Architects and Planners, stated that the DNR is very interested in public involvement and public notification of the Community Recreation Plan. There will be two public input meetings, a public hearing and a thirty day review period where the public can review the preliminary plan. The plan will also be placed on the Township website for public review.

Mr. Ford stated that Trust Fund money is derived from oil and gas mineral rights, with a cap this year of \$400,000 (\$100,000 match with \$300,000 that could be leveraged). The Passport Program is a \$50,000 program with a 25% match. The State of Michigan receives \$1,000,000 per year with a 50/50 match from the Land and Water federal program. Mr. Ford stated that all of the grant money is tax dollars held by the State and Federal government to be awarded to municipalities. By going through the grant process and being awarded a grant, you receive some of those tax dollars back into the community.

The Board of Trustees and Park Commissioners were asked for their input regarding the Community Recreation Plan.

Comments were received as follows:

- A dog park
- A park millage to help fund the parks and/or senior center

