

CITY OF ALBION
RESOLUTION # 2015-07

TO CREATE A CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO
UPDATE THE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

WHEREAS, there is significant interest and value in evaluating opportunities for improving the parks and recreational opportunities in the Albion Community, and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) requires that an approved 5-year Recreation Plan be in place in order for communities to be eligible to apply for grant funding, and

WHEREAS, Albion's Parks and Recreation Five Year Master Plan was last updated in 2011, in conjunction with the 2000 Comprehensive Master Plan.

WHEREAS, the City of Albion needs to undertake a planning process to determine the long-range recreation and natural resource conservation needs and desires of its residents covering the next five year period, and

WHEREAS in past years, several community groups have been formed to address recreational opportunities in the community. Previously, the City of Albion has formed planning advisory groups with City staff and members of organizations and the community-at-large participating.

WHEREAS, the Albion City Council, under Section 8.15 of the City Charter may establish citizen advisory committees to study and/or investigate issues of interest to the community.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Albion as follows:

1. The City of Albion Citizens Advisory Committee for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan is hereby created.
2. The Committee shall consist of eleven (11) members, with no more than two members from the City Council.
3. City Council shall appoint the committee members, with recommendations from the Mayor.
4. The term of the committee shall end on December 31, 2015, unless extended by the City Council.
5. The committee shall choose a chairperson, vice-chairperson, and secretary from among its members to carry on and record the committee's business.
6. The committee is established for the purpose of studying and reporting its recommendations to the Planning Commission (for inclusion in the Comprehensive Master Plan) and City Council for the adoption of the Parks and Recreation 5-year Master Plan.
7. The City Manager and staff shall provide assistance to the committee to help them carry out their duties as appropriate.
8. The Committee shall provide periodic reports to the City Council and Planning Commission on their activities; with a final recommendation no later than October 1, 2015.

9. The membership of the committee should represent a broad cross-section of the Albion community, and every effort should be made to include representatives from:
- a. Albion Community Schools (administration, staff, board)
 - b. Albion College Student
 - c. Albion College Administration/Staff
 - d. Greater Albion Chamber of Commerce
 - e. Albion Youth Organizations
 - f. Albion City Council
 - g. Albion Forks Senior Center
 - h. Trail Network/Alliance
 - i. Albion Residents
 - j. Calhoun County Parks and Recreation

Council Member Barnes, supported by Council Member French, moved to approve this resolution for the creation of the Citizens Advisory Committee to update the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was adopted on February 17, 2015, in a regular session of the Albion City Council and this is a true copy of that resolution.

Ayes 7

Nays 0

Absent 0

Jill Domingo
Jill Domingo, City Clerk