



## CITY OF WILLIAMSTON

Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Agenda  
To be held in the Williamston City Hall Council Chambers located at  
161 E. Grand River Avenue, Williamston, MI 48895  
(517) 655-2774

**Thursday, July 18, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Audience Participation – Maximum 5 minutes per presentation. Subject matter on non-agenda items only.
6. Approval of Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of March 21, 2024
7. Action Items
  - a. Appointment of Chair, Vice Chair, & Secretary
  - b.
8. Discussion Items
  - a. Historic Mill Turbine
  - b. Ingham County Trail Grant 2028
  - c. Pickle Ball – opportunities for additional courts
  - d. 2024-25 Project List
  - e. Chainsaw Art in the Park
  - f. River Days
  - g.
9. Information Received
  - a.
  - b.
10. Staff Reports
  - a. City Manager
11. Audience Participation – Maximum 5 minutes per presentation. Subject matter on non-agenda items only.
12. Member Comments
13. Adjourn to the Call of the Chair

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**The next regular meeting of the Parks & Recreation Commission will be held  
Thursday, August 15, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers**

**CITY OF WILLIAMSTON  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
MARCH 21, 2024  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Williamston City Hall Council Chambers by Chairman Earl Wolf and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**3. Roll Call:**

Chairman Earl Wolf, Commissioners Terry Hansen, Teri Nelson, Tim Ludwig, and Byron Aldrink. Absent: Kent Hall and Tammy Scott (arrived 6:33 p.m.).

Also present: City Manager John Hanifan and Deputy Clerk Barbara Burke.

**4. Approval of Agenda:**

Motion by **Hansen**, second by **Nelson**, to approve the agenda as presented. **Motion passed by voice vote.**

**5. Audience Participation:**

Chairman Wolf called for public comments at this time and there were none.

**6. Approval of Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2024:**

Motion by **Nelson**, second by **Aldrink**, to approve the Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting minutes of January 10, 2024, as presented. **Motion passed by voice vote.**

**7. Action Items**

**8. Discussion Items**

**8a. 24/25 Fiscal Year Draft Budget:**

Manager Hanifan said the new pavilion was included in last year's Parks budget; there are new permanent cornhole boards from the Friends of Williamston Parks by the new pavilion. This year's budget will include fixing the men's urinal in the North Putnam restrooms. He will also look at getting more than one shutoff, because if the men's bathroom is down, the women's has to close as well. He will look at getting heat available at the concession restrooms.

There was discussion whether the water fountains could be turned back on.

Commissioner Nelson said the Kiwanis may be able to donate bottle filling stations.

Commissioners stated they receive many positive comments from individuals outside the City about our parks.

**8b. Trust Fund Memorial Park Pathway Application:**

Motion by **Hansen**, second by **Nelson**, to suspend the rules and add Action Item 7a. Trust Fund Memorial Park Pathway Application. **Motion passed by voice vote.**

**ACTION - 7a. Trust Fund Memorial Park Pathway Application:**

Motion by **Hansen**, second by **Ludwig**, to support a Phase I Memorial Park Pathway application and send to City Council requesting resolution approval. **Motion passed by voice vote.**

**8b. Mill Turbine Placement at Old Mill Park:**

Chairman Wolf spoke about the turbine which was moved from the old DPW building to the current DPW area and placement at Old Mill Park. Manager Hanifan will speak with Mark Stevens of Stevens Excavating about the best way to move it, and then will discuss with engineering about the location and placement. This will be included in the Parks budget for next year. This is art and history combined.

**8c. Friends of the Williamston Parks- Chainsaw Event update:**

Manager Hanifan reported the Friends of Williamston Parks is spearheading the Chainsaw Sculpture event, with Lina Chapman as the organizer. She is recruiting artists. This event will be held in October to replace the current carvings in McCormick Park.

(Commissioner Scott arrived 6:33 p.m.)

**10. Staff Reports**

**10a. City Manager:**

None.

**11. Audience Participation:**

Chairman Wolf called for public comments at this time and there were none.

**12. Member Comments:**

Commissioner Hansen reported Council will be doing budget review.

Commissioner Scott stated the Jubilee Committee is working on the event.

Commissioner Nelson said she has two cans of Kiwanis nuts left for sale. She wondered if there would be interest in disc golf for kids and there was discussion as to where it could be held. This is the 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of the Williamston Kiwanis.

Commissioner Aldrink said it is great to be back in cold Michigan.

Chairman Wolf confirmed Commissioner Hall can serve out his term, which ends June 30, 2024. He said concerts in the Park will begin in May and run through mid-August. They have generous sponsors. He said the social district will be nice during the concerts.

**13. Adjournment:**

Chairman Wolf adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Barbara J. Burke, Deputy Clerk

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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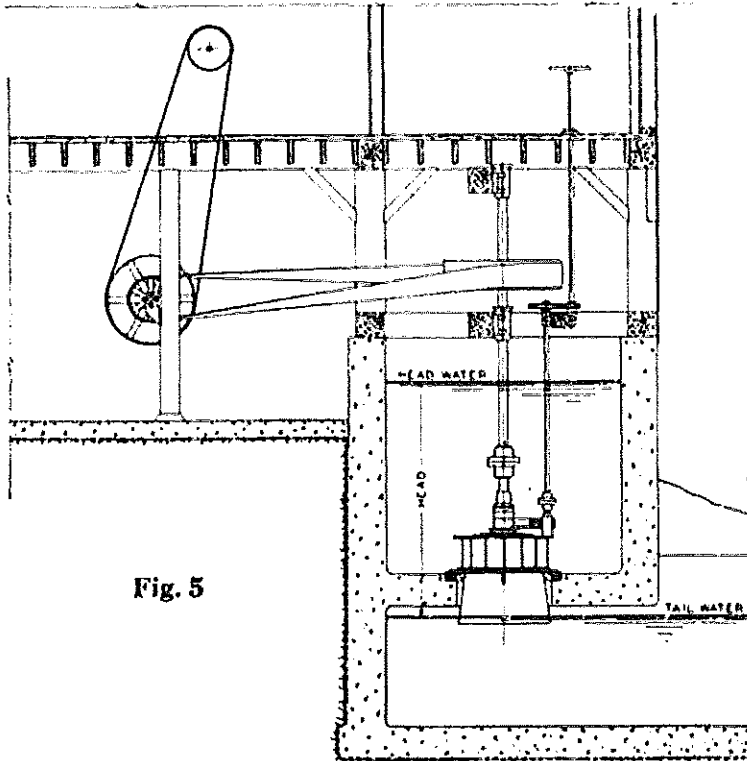


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Fig. 5. The relatively high speed of the Improved SAMSON Turbine under low heads of water frequently permits the use of a Quarter Turn Belt Drive, as a minimum diameter of driving pulley is required. This type of drive is quiet and efficient.

Improved SAMSON Turbine with Quarter Turn Belt Drive to Mill Line Shaft

Fig. 6 shows a Vertical SAMSON Turbine in Open Flume driving a high speed, horizontal Electric Generator through Quarter Turn Belt. A SAMSON Turbine may be used with or without a Governor.

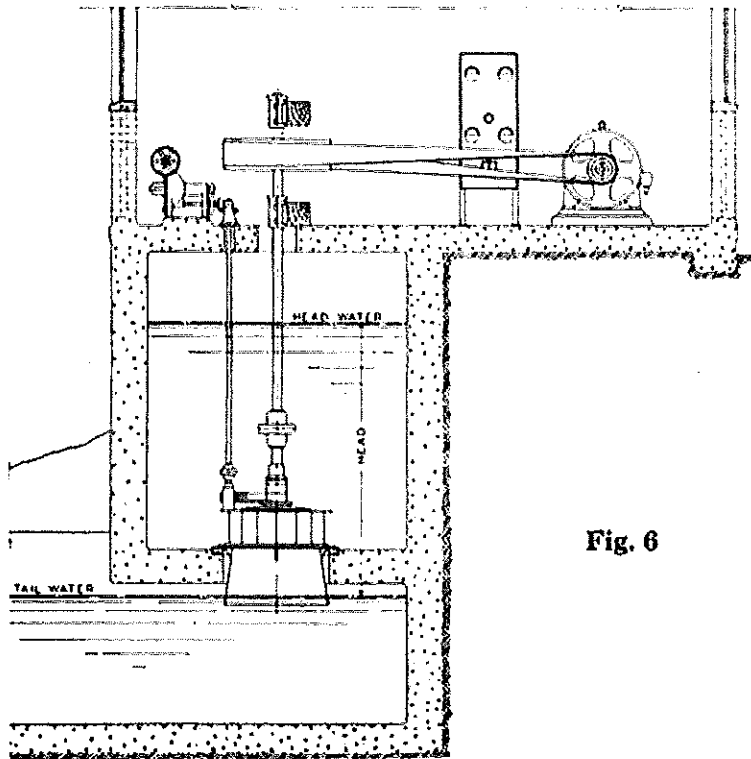
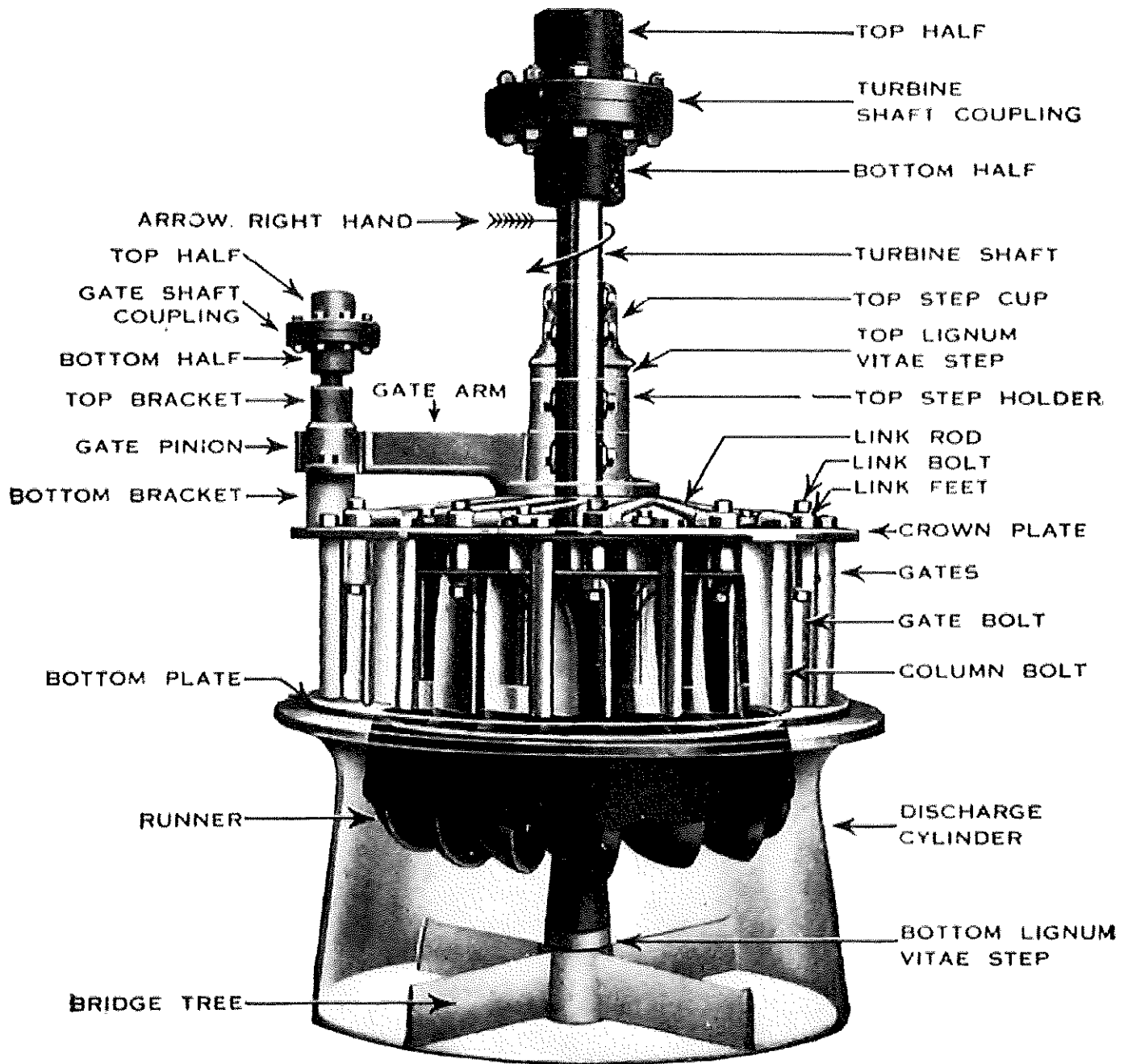


Fig. 6

Improved SAMSON Turbine with Quarter Turn Belt Drive to Electric Generator

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For dimensions of SAMSON Turbines in Open Flume Setting, see Page 3.



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