

Roscommon Metropolitan Recreation Authority (RMRA)

July 16, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sue Jock at 7:00 p.m. at the CRAF Center.

Board Members Present: S. Jock, C. Allen, P. Miller.

Recognition of Guests: Eric Hart, Tracy Bosworth

Motion C. Allen, 2nd P. Miller nominating Eric Hart to the RMRA Board, filling the seat vacated by Matt Nester.
Motion carried.

Approval of Agenda – Motion C. Allen, 2nd P. Miller, with the additions: Geocache fundraiser (P. Miller) and Build a master calendar with all children's activities.

Minutes – Motion to accept minutes of the May 14, 2014 meeting P. Miller, 2nd E. Hart, motion carried.

Correspondence – None

Treasurer Report – P. Miller – The Income & Expense Summary (through July 15, 2014) presented. Checking \$306.34, Savings \$407.57, Money Market \$48,360.81 for a total of \$49, 074.72. Motion to accept C. Allen, 2nd S. Jock, motion carried.

Reports: Old Business

- Recreation Authority – S. Jock
- RMRA Web Page – roscorec.org – Updates with new summer photos of Gahagan, Tisdale Trail. Need to add Contact information, River Fest and changes need to be made on the CRAF Center page.
- 2014 Gazebo Concert Series – Concessions – Ben Dodge has volunteered to run the concessions this season.
- Can Drive – The Wooden Ship is in the lot adjacent to the Sunny Spot, we will empty the Boat July 21, beginning at 4:00 a.m.
- CRAF Center Lease Agreements and Rental Contracts were reviewed.

New Business:

- Metro Park Playground – Reassessment of equipment needed on playground. We currently have \$61,000 on hand and pledged. S. Jock will ask for a reassessment of playground equipment based on \$65,000. We would like to have the project completed in one day this fall. Discussion also included decreasing the size of the area, finance \$18,000, and check with other vendors. We have not heard on back on the Chemical Bank and Weyerhaeuser grants.
- RMRA will take over Breakfast with Santa, in conjunction with Christmas in the Village, as a fundraiser. These funds could be designated for Metro Park Maintenance. T. Bosworth will get student volunteers. **Collect gloves and mittens for Santa to give to children without who are without. This is what Carl was going to do because he was Santa and the kids had cold hands.**
- A marquee sign has been donated to RMRA for the CRAF Center. (The sign was purchased for the Library by Rotary). Tom O'Brien designed the base for the sign, S. Jock will request funds from DDA to complete the work.
- AuSable River Center – June 19 minutes presented. S. Jock will write a letter to the Center. It is not open on a regular basis and we would like to see them more involved in the community.
- RiverFest is this weekend.
- Geocache Fundraiser – P. Miller shared information regarding a fundraiser for RMRA.
- Children's Activity Master Calendar – We would like to have a master calendar listing all children's activities throughout the area to include the CRAF Center, MSU Extension, RADL, State Parks, etc.

CRAF Center - renovations and projects discussed. **Extensive evaluations took place of a room by room assessment of needs and potential activities. These were listed by area and need and some projects have started. The biggest project underway is moving silver sneakers downstairs to have universal access. Gymnastics are upstairs. Basement was cleaned out and scrapped.** Financial report submitted. E. Hart suggested having members pay membership fees

on a recurring basis by credit card, members would have to cancel 30 days in advance. He also proposed changing Saturday hours from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Christmas in the Village (CIV) – No report.

Gahagan Nature Preserve – T. Bosworth – Summer camp is full. Plan on making the Preserve more interactive by using QR Codes. They hope to hire someone to be at the Cabin throughout the summer.

Adjourn – Motion to adjourn P. Miller, 2nd C. Allen. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m. The next meeting will September 17, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the CRAF Center.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Allen
Secretary