

Roscommon Metropolitan Recreation Authority (RMRA)

November 20, 2013

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

Board Members Present: S. Jock, D. Smitz, C. Allen, P. Miller, K. Williams

Recognition of Guests: T. Bosworth (Gahagan Nature Preserve), B. Yannatta (CRAF Center), J. Karjalainen (Higgins Township)

Approval of Agenda – Motion C. Allen, 2nd P. Miller, motion carried.

Minutes – Motion to accept with correction ‘DNR Passport Grant submission date is April 1, 2014’ P. Miller, 2nd D. Smitz, motion carried.

Correspondence – RSVP – New director appointed, office in Grayling. MRPA (Michigan Recreation and Park Association) 2014 Conference schedule. PAR Plan News October 2013 distributed.

Treasurer Report – P. Miller – As of October 31, 2013 Checking account balance \$245.22, Money Market account balance \$35,731.11, Prime Share Account 000 \$357.04, Secondary Share Account 101 \$617.87. Motion to accept C. Allen, 2nd D. Smitz, motion carried. Report filed subject to audit.

Reports:

Recreation Authority – S. Jock – Jeep Jamboree held October 26, 2013 brought in \$1,530.00. 44 Vehicles. The Roscommon Village Council met November 12, and committed \$10,000 to the Metro Park playground project. The funds will be included in the 2014 Budget. The RMRA website is being developed. \$107.55 was paid for the domain name. The website address is roscorec.org. Grants have been submitted for the 2014 Gazebo Concert Series. There are six concerts scheduled. An additional grant has been submitted to cover the cost, an additional concert was added to the 2014 Concert Series. B. Yannatta requested an open mic night for local talent. B. Yannatta will have the Concert Series rack card produced. \$500 is due to RMRA for the 2013 completion of the Concert Series. Ball fields at Metro Park have been fertilized and prepared for winter. \$300 for the field prep will be paid by RMRA. Winter Workshop Series, to be held in conjunction with MSU 4H Extension will begin in January for children 5 years and older, at the CRAF Center. Volunteers are needed to assist with the programs. The cost is \$10 per child for the series. Playground equipment for Metro Park as discussed. Arrangement of the equipment was discussed. The representative will be contacted to revise the mock ups.

AuSable River Center – B. Yannatta – The Center will begin working on a new cedar strip canoe this winter. The Center has approved the request by M. Constance to hold RiverFest the third weekend in July 2014 under the auspices of the AuSable River Center.

Christmas in the Village (CIV) – No report.

CRAF Center – B. Yannatta – Presented financial report as of October 31, 2013. TRX classes have been running for 3 weeks and going well. \$1,200 was spent for mats, straps, and bracing. The CRAF Center splits participation fees with the instructor 70/30. Membership and daily usage is up. One pump on the boiler system is out. After discussion, it was determined that it is more cost effective to replace both pumps on the boiler with two new Paco 5hp circulating pumps at a cost of \$6,787.00 (includes labor) by Terry Beardslee & Sons Plumbing & Heating, Inc. Motion to proceed C. Allen, 2nd P. Miller, motion carried. Funds will be transferred from the savings account to cover the expense. Information was shared regarding vending machine options. These include leasing, buying and various programs. The Board has been asked to review the information and bring recommendations to the next meeting. New workout equipment is needed for the CRAF Center, stationery bikes, treadmills and weight benches. S. Jock suggested refinishing the weight benches.

Gahagan Nature Preserve – T. Bosworth – The cabin has been closed for the winter The ELF (Environmental Learning for the Future) program is in the classrooms. Tom Dale will be visiting the schools in February, March and April presenting a Naturalist Program. The theme is cats.

Old Business:

- Tree removal at Metro Park – No report.
- D. Smitz asked the status of an electronic sign for the lawn of the CRAF Center. S. Jock will look into it. The DDA is a possible funding source.

New Business:

- P. Miller will contact D. Decker in regards to preparing a Capital Acquisition Plan for RMRA.
- P. Miller and S. Jock will meet to draft the RMRA Budget.
- Comedy Night – After discussion the Board will proceed with plans for a Comedy Night, to be held March 15, 2014. The evening will be geared towards adult entertainment and include food and drinks. C. Allen will get a price quote from the Roscommon Knights of Columbus Hall. The CRAF Center gym can also be a venue for the event.
- RMRA Meeting schedule was approved. All meetings will be held at the CRAF Center, at 7:00 p.m. :
 - January 15, 2014
 - March 19, 2014
 - May 14, 2014
 - July 16, 2014
 - September 17, 2014
 - November 19, 2014

Adjourn – Motion to adjourn P. Miller, 2nd K. Williams. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m. The next meeting will be January 15, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the CRAF Center.