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HESS-HATHAWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2018

Minutes

Held at Recreation Center – 5640 Williams Lake Road

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER- 6:03 pm motion by John Himmelspach 2nd by Greg Ford

Members Present: Greg Ford, Mike Healy, Art Frasca, Merrie Carlock, John Himmelspach, Andrea Miller, Nick Ristich

Others: Tori Heglin, Alison Swanson, Trever Acker, Dr. Gertson, Linda Hardacre, Brian Roberts, Roberts, Ryan Robinson

Members excused: John Barker, Gerry Beseau, Linda Hardacre

II. APPROVE MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 2018 MEETING – Mike Healy motion Greg Ford second.

III. FINANCIAL REPORT

- Some rentals already this year
- Fabulous Events staged our community building and Unique Image took photos to promote events there
- NCJW paid \$3,844 for our playground expenses for 2017
- Looking to offer birthday parties in community building as well as gazebo, because many securing rentals are concerned about weather
- Motion by Mike Healy to accept financial report second by Art

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

- None

V. OLD BUSINESS

a. Caretaker update: Trever Acker

- Chicken coup smokestacks need repair/replace, yes replace
- Pokémon event, past closing, gave good reviews online to staff that accommodated them
- Benches on track and field course need wood replaced, paint black, need 16 planks

With us there are no boundaries

b. Grants: Hess Trust Status

- Working with Ron Campbell, phase 2 project at barn is the remainder of the barn, estimated cost \$64K to \$75K

c. Animal Report

- Still looking to get some lambs
- Miniature donkey still in the works, Dr Gertson looking into this

d. Hay Field

- Revisit in April

e. Flooring in the historic house

- Brian Roberts (boy scout) to do the restroom floor in historic house
- He showed us some samples and expects to be done by April 30

VI. NEW BUSINESS

a. MI DNR Recreation Passport Grant Writing: Ryan Robinson

- Ryan, Cross Country coach at Mott, improving use of trails in winter
- Grooming trails for cross country skiing and fat tire bike use
- Entails equipment, grants available, need gator, tracks on gator, can't use tractor will leave ruts
- Tracks for gator about \$4K, easy on-easy off, used for much less
- Still limited hours
- Ryan would volunteer to groom and teach Trever, care-taker
- Grant does not apply....funding is an issue
- Ryan to look into funding of the equipment, possible sponsorships

b. Gardens: 51st and Community, Green Gift status

- Did not get Green gifts award

c. Reappointment of Greg Ford to Advisory Committee

- Recommendation to township board to reappoint, motion 2 year term, by John Himmelspach, second by Mike Healy

d. Reappointment of Andrea Miller to Advisory Committee

- Recommendation to township board to reappoint, motion 3 year term, by John Himmelspach, second by Mike Healy

e. Reappointment of Nick Ristich to Advisory Committee

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f. Committee chairperson nominations

- Appoint John Himmelspach as chair nominated by Mike Heal, second by Merrie Carlock and Art Frasca as vice chair

g. Brian Roberts Eagle project

- Eagle scout project to remove current flooring and repairing and replacing flooring in bathroom of historic house
- Many choices of flooring, ceramic, vinyl, some require more prep
- Two weekends to complete, porcelain up to \$1,500 for, vinyl up to \$500
- Go fund me to raise money, today support from board and input for materials
- Vinyl is waterproof, no nails needed, floating floor, very durable
- Trevor recommended porcelain for the bathroom
- Suggest we use vinyl throughout the remainder of the addition
- Motion to approve by Art Frasca, second by Greg Ford to allow Brian to move forward with project, informing all others who need to know, none opposed

VII. ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

- **Tori** - quorum is six based on majority of 10 members
- met with Jeremy Brown Oakland county farmers market, have it have harvest happening, 3 vendors for produce, 3 for flowers, possible meat and fish vendors
- **Alison** – bi-annual deer survey to be done on Friday

III. MEETING ADJOURNED – 7:30 Motion by John Himmelspach 2nd by Linda Hardacre, next meeting, Thursday, April 12, 2017, 6pm, Waterford Recreation Center, 5640 Williams Lake Road.