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HESS-HATHAWAY PARK COMMITTEE
Thursday, October 8, 2020, 6:00p.m.
MINUTES

Meeting Location: Hess-Hathaway Park

- I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** 6:05 pm, John Himmelspach
- II. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS, STAFF AND GUESTS**
Members present: J. Himmelspach, A. Frasca, L. Hardacre, J. Beseau, S. McCready, K. Callahan, N. Ristich, M. Carlock, J. Barker
Others present: T. Heglin
Members excused: J.P. Torres, A. Swanson
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion to approve, M. Carlock. Motion passed.
- IV. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO MINUTES:** None
- V. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER MINUTES:** Motion to approve, K. Callahan. Second, M. Carlock. Motion passed.
- VI. FINANCIAL/DIRECTOR REPORT:** T. Heglin presented notes from A. Swanson.
 - a. Township's final budget meeting will take place the last week of October (27-28).
 - b. Trick of Treating will take place in Waterford Township on Halloween at 7pm.
 - c. National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) have committed verbally to funding a new playground merry-go-around. Alison to follow-up on details.
 - d. Minions at the park decorated by township employees as Halloween decorations.
 - e. Hess Community Building and Recreation Center will be polling locations for November 3 election.
 - f. Veterans' Recognition Event: We are working on a drive-thru recognition event to be held in front of the Town Hall on Tuesday, November 10. More details to follow. We are in the planning process now.
- VII. CORRESPONDENCE:** Concern expressed by Mott High School Coach Papenhagen on people with dogs being less than civil when approached with the fact that we have a "no dogs" policy. Also, there is an issue with their cones missing or thrown about and dirt bikes on park property.

With us there are no boundaries

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Caretaker Report:** Position not filled yet. Caretaker house projects need to be completed before position is filled.
- b. **Animal Report:** Marshmallow, (30-year-old pony, good long life for this species) visited by vet three times. Euthanized due to quality of life issues. It is a desire to replace this animal with another equine, perhaps if possible in the spring. T-Rex (mini-rabbit) was in respiratory distress and was taken to vet. Contagious disease was a concern, so a culture was taken for a diagnose. Precautionary measures were implemented for other animals as well. Milford is looking and feeling good, enjoying the additional attention.
- c. **Hay Fields and Equipment Update:** S. McCready - Equipment put away next week. Second cutting: 90 more bales of hay, which is enough hay for two years. Assistance is needed picking up rocks.
- d. **Community Garden:** K. Callahan - Great harvest, many crops continue to be harvested.
- e. **Court Garden:** L. Hardacre - One of our best harvests, going good, but will be closing up soon. Approximately one ton of food donated to Oakland Hope.
- f. **Program Updates:** Pictures taking with Champagne scheduled for Saturday, October 10th from 1-6pm. Tree Lighting event will be transitioned into Holiday Hoopla event. We are still planning, but have decided on Saturday, December 12 at the Civic Center.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Drive-in Movies at Hess-Hathaway Park:** Drive-in movies at Hess finished up on September 18 with "The Greatest Showman", a sold-out performance.

VIII. **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:** None

III. **MEETING ADJOURNED:** Motion to adjourn 6:55pm. Motion passed.

**Next meeting will be on Thursday, November 12, 6:00pm.
Tentatively scheduled at Recreation Center, 5640 Williams Lake Road.**