

Remus DDA Board Meeting May 16th time 6:00 Meeting called to order at 6:05 by Dee Powell President

Members Present: Dee Powell, Nila Simon, Tom Vansyckle, Amy Noggle, Dar Wernette, Denise Reichert

Motion to accept minutes from April 2022 meeting made by Amy Noggle, seconded by Dee all in favor motion carried.

Bank Balance as of May 16th, 2022, \$63,703.00 presented by Dee, motion made to approve balance in checkbook by Nila Simon, seconded by Denise Reichert, all in agreement. Motion also made to approve all expenders by Nila Simon, seconded by Dee Powell, all in favor motion carried.

Current Business discussion and overview:

Park pavilion: Completed, Bathroom project closed. Kitchen project, Denise is looking for equipment to finish.

Park walking path: Completed, project closed. Payment to Jessie is to be made in the amount of \$1000

Memorial scattering Garden: Nothing to update., the township is moving forward on this project

Remus Survey: Dee presented to the board that the survey monkey will cost \$99 a month. She would like to keep it up for two months for information to be collected. Nila made a motion that we move forward with the survey at that cost Amy seconded it, all in favor, motion carried.

Remus DDA Boundaries. Dee was able to obtain the original information from Linda Howard. The boundaries were discussed and at this time we see no need to change the current boundary lines established by the DDA

Grand Openings: Amy will be contacting both the Vet and the Groomer to set up times and days to do ribbon cuttings. Dee will be getting a date secured for Treelan/Bandit.

New Business Discussed:

1. **Bill Lipar's passing.** Nila wanted the board to remember Bill the past president of that DDA is some fashion. Dar suggested a tree in his honor be placed somewhere of the families choosing. Nila made a motion that we buy a tree in memory of Bill, with a possible plaque as well, in his memory in the amount of \$100, Dar seconded it, all in favor motion carried.
2. **2022 Holiday Events;** Amy will be heading up the Halloween event, Denise the Christmas event and the after-hours event. Suggestion for location of the after hour were the Gwin Girls Winery. All in favor. Amy suggested when a date is set, we send out save the date cards, and follow those with invites.
3. **2022-2023 budget** presented by Denise. Nila made a motion to except the budget, Dee seconded it. All in favor motion carried
4. **Banners:** Many ideas for banners were discussed. Dee presented cost from a plain banner to a painted banner. This idea is still in the works, no decisions were made as to where to purchase or what type of banners we would like to see up. Ideas range from a design contest, to featuring graduates, athletes, or businesses. Nila will be contacting Amanda Simon to see how the banners in Mount Pleasant are done and we will revisit this next month.
5. **Veteran's wall;** Nila contacted Steve Lobert about the lot between Fate's and the Hot Spot for a possible location of the monument. Steve has questions and concerns whether the monument will be permanent or movable. Nila will go back and tell him we plan to do a permanent structure and will report back if he is willing to let us use that location.

Open Discussion

1. **Marijuana ordinance:** The township has backed up the option from the ballot in May to the ballot in November for a community vote on this topic.
2. **Business transactions:** We were contacted by a man looking for a location to bring a diner back to Remus. Information was given to him. We will be supporting his efforts to come to Remus with his business. The Credit union that purchased Welling's will be setting up ATM's and remodeling the building soon.
3. **Remus Historical Society Forum Review:** This was taken on by Mary Ann, she was absent from this meeting, therefore nothing to report.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Nila Simon, seconded by Amy Noggle, all in favor motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 **Next Meeting will take place** June 20th 6:00 Wheatland Township Hall

