Remus DDA Board Meeting

November 11, 2025

Location/Fate's Bakery

Meeting called to order by Dee Powell at 8:03

Present: Tracy Jernstadt, Kris Beers, Denise Reichert, Lori Todd, Kathy Smith, Toni Newcomb, Dee Powell, Steve Norton, Stephaine Shusta, Jen Frayre, Jen Theodore, and Dennis Braman

Last Meeting Minutes Approval Kathy made a motion to approve meeting notes, Dee seconded, all approved

Business Wish List Requests None currently.

Financial Update Kathy handed out the financial update but said she could not get an updated one until after the Township Board Meeting.

Township Update Tom was not in attendance.

Current Business/Projects

Disc Golf Course Tournament Adam was not in attendance, but Dee said there was over 50 people there. DDA to do a grand opening in the spring. DDA wants to do a drone video in the spring. There is a class at Chippewa Hills that does it and Paul Wernette does it as well. It was suggested that we do it with no leaves on the trees.

Playground Planning Joel Sherman was sick and did not get the poles set for the equipment but there is a pile of sand down there. We need to check with Fates about the storage of the equipment.

Trunk or Treat Recap – The talk is that there were 600 kids this year. Dee suggested we mention the kid count next year so that everyone knows what to expect. Denise mentioned that the bounce houses need to be manned. Dee suggested we ask a high school group or organization to man the bounce houses. Someone at the event made a comment that it should be moved to the park for more parking. All agreed that we don't want to take that away from Mellissa who started the event.

Scarecrow Contest in October Voting was done at the trunk or treat and went well but next year there needs to me more slips for voting. Dee suggested that we have a business and residential winner.

Christmas Events-Tree Lighting and Lights Parade Kathy is going to go to the Township board meeting to see if the tree can be placed at the hall this time. The event will be held at the hall this year from 4-6 with the parade at 6pm on December 13th. Denise said we have enough stuffed animals for this year, but we will have to get more next year. Dennis said for the Christmas light contest there should be both a business and residential winner. Dennis made a traveling trophy for the winner of the Christmas light contest. Dee said the voting should be done like the scarecrow contest. Dennis wants to form a Holiday Club, something Remus

Heritage Days for the future holidays so the DDA would not have to plan it all the time. Kathy made a motion to approve \$1500 for the Christmas Event, Kris seconded it, all approved. Dee made a motion to approve \$200 to the Student Council for helping, Kathy seconded it, all approved. Dee made a motion to approve \$100 for a Santa suit, Lori seconded it, all approved. Jen Theodore suggested we add the Christmas event to the radio advertisement.

Monthly Remus Events Remus Resale and Remus Antiques will have a Deer Widows Weekend on November 14th, 15th, and 16th along with a Black Friday sale on November 28th.

New Topics/Projects

Dee asked Jen Frayre to share the ribbon cutting event from the Credit Union to her or Amy so it can be put on our Facebook page.

Open Discussion

Business Transactions(new/sold/changing): JD Arms has moved out. There will be a men's resale store and bait shop in hopefully by spring. Kathy said the ice cream shop should be up and running in the spring.

Nila sent an email that we need to revisit the dog park or bag pickup (poo) hangers and trash cans along the walking path, pickle ball court, Veterans Wall and soccer fields.

Old Business

Dee to get an update on the bookstore.

Future Business

Dee asked Jen Theodore for quotes for next year's radio advertisement. Completion of the playground at the park.

Dee made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:47, Lori seconded the motion, all in favor.

Next meeting December 9th @ 8 am Fate's Bakery