

**Remus DDA Board Meeting Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> , 5:00 Meeting called to order at 5:15 by Dee Powell President**

**Members Present: Dee Powell, Nila Simon, Tom Vansyckle, Lacy, Paul and Adam Fate, Amy Noggle, John Huffman,**

**Public interest: Lori Todd, Stan & Tony Newcombe**

Motion to accept minutes from May 2023 meeting made by Amy, seconded by Dee, all in favor motion carried.

**Bank Balance** as of 5/30/23 of \$42,015.20. presented by Dee, motion made to approve balance in checkbook by Nila seconded by Amy, all in agreement.

**Current Business** discussion and overview:

- 1. Park Pavilion:** Denise was not in attendance, No update currently on equipment or counters. Tom did however state that according to summit there would be a cost of \$75,000 to \$1000,00 to bring the kitchen to code with a stove and hood. The township disapproves of a stove and hood, we will move forward on kitchen without that option.
- 2. Memorial Scattering Garden:** Marge Carte and Mary planted flowers at the site, project is completed and ready for plaques. Mary is still conversing with Blanchard Monument on cost.
- 3. Recycling:** MaryAnn was not in attendance, no update currently.
- 4. Veterans Wall:** Dar was not in attendance, No update currently.
- 5. Business Directory:** Amy did some extensive research on this; with many rules and regulations we must follow, this project will take time and more research will be needed. Tom will be getting a picture of Canadian Lakes directory, for us to mimic and use as a starting point. From there we will get more information on this continued project.
- 6. Remus Business Highlights:** We will continue these; the following order was suggested; Janowicz funeral home (Oct) Mike Sweeny car wash (Nov) Gingrich Tire (Dec) to finish up 2023.
- 7. Remus Speed Signs:** Dee presented the board with the option for speed signs. Tom stated that can't be placed permanently on a state highway and would have to be moved periodically. Many options to bring awareness to speed when in town were discussed. More research will be done to try and implement some sort of speed sign or awareness.
- 8. Pickle Ball fencing:** Tom is in hopes that the township will be receiving a grant in the spring and have the fencing up by March/April.
- 9. Walking Path:** Adam is sure Bill Fate will continue to bring wood chips to site for upkeep on the walking path. This will be ongoing as chips wash out. Dee suggested that benches at some point also be placed next to the path. Nila stated that the quality of benches for the memorial garden was very impressive, and the cost was \$2241.14 for two. Benches will be discussed again in spring and may possibly be used as in remembrance of (example Jean Welling) Business owners, or workers.
- 10. Disc Golf Course:** Brock was not in attendance; Adam reported that he did check out the location suggested at the last meeting, to the rear of the park and is concerned there is not enough room for a 18 whole course. He will look again near the woods, check the wetlands and report to the us next meeting whether he believes one could be placed in that location. Adam will also look for other locations to possibly host the course.
- 11. Remus Event:** Amy will be again taking care of our representation at the Halloween event (Big thank you to Amy) Denise was not present so no update on the Christmas event handout, December 9<sup>th</sup> was agreed upon to host the Christmas breakfast. Not to interfere with the Fates Santa event on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Dee will be heading up and posting the Christmas light contest for 2023, giving the residents and businesses more time, this year was presented and agreed upon. Dee will be posting the scarecrow contest; and made a motion that scarecrows will be displayed from the 15<sup>th</sup> through the 28th, Nila seconded it, all in favor. The contest will be moved to the location of the Remus farmer market. All entries will be brought to that location and John Huffman will oversee display order. Adam suggested a trophy be given to first place winner that will be rotated and passed on each year to the winners. Along with that a \$100 gift card to Remus Business of your choice will be awarded.

12. **Security Camera's for downtown area:** Many options were discussed along with companies to help with suggestions. John Huffman was educated in the topic and will be consulting with Dave Frost for ideas and the cost of implementation of cameras. Nila suggested we get a cost estimate from both Dave and Benny Blanzly if we decide to move forward on this project after more information is collected. Lacy suggested also posting signs to notify residents and visitor's they are being watched.
13. **Annual Survey:** All were in agreement for Dee to repost the survey next month as a tool to gather information of what Remus residents wants and desires are for their community.
  
14. **Remus Wheatland Banners:** Motion to return all banners to artist was made by Nila, seconded by Paul all in favor motion passed. Banners will be taken down by John for pickup.

Motion to adjourn made by Dee at 6:40 all in favor.

**Next Meeting** scheduled for October 11, 2023, Time: 5:00 Place to be announced.

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