Remus DDA Board Meeting May 24-2023, 5:00 Meeting called to order at 5:15 by Dee Powell President Members Present: <u>Dee Powell, Nila Simon, Tom Vansyckle, Amy Noggle, MaryAnn Wernette, Denise Reichert, Lacy,</u> Paul and Adam Fate, Public interest: Cindy Havens, Kris & Bob Beers, Stan & Tony Newcombe

Motion to accept minutes from April 2023 meeting made by Amy, seconded by Nila, all in favor motion carried. **Bank Balance** as of 4/30/23. presented by Dee, motion made to approve balance in checkbook by Denise, seconded by Dee, all in agreement.

2023 Budget: Dee presented the 2023 budget to the board, with two minor additions; the Veteran wall budget of \$10,000 and Survey monkey of \$100 were added. Nila made a motion to accept, Amy seconded all in favor motion carried.

Current Business discussion and overview:

- 1. Park Kitchen: Denise will be coordinating and picking up the equipment purchased. Jeff Storey will be finishing interior construction on his time off from other job. The township will not participate in work on the electrical panels or electrical work, the DDA will research and have these checked, looking for a contractor to add electrical to carry the needed voltage for events and equipment to assure electrical for all equipment and events. Also discussed was lifetime tables verses countertops.
- 2. Memorial Scattering Garden: The memorial garden is completed; benches have been purchased and will be put together and placed at site by Nila. The memorial tree and plaque will be purchased as pre-approved and planted and placed at site by Nila. This project can be closed at this time.
- 3. Remus Business Highlight: Fate's Foods will be highlighted in June in celebration of their anniversary event.
- 4. **Recycling:** MaryAnn had nothing to report. More research is needed.
- 5. Veterans Wall: Dar was not present, nothing to report on the progress of this project.
- 6. **Business Directory:** We would like to keep them near the welcome to Remus signs or in addition to them, ideas still being discussed.
- 7. Wheatland Welcome: discussion to purchase tie dyed shirts with something printed on them welcoming the Wheatland family, passed out to local businesses, and/or also having yard markers made up to be placed at businesses and along the downtown streets to welcome and show support to this Remus event. Cost and information will be presented to support both at the next meeting.
- 8. Summer Farmers Market; Nothing new to report.
- **9. Remus Heritage days:** Dee asked if the DDA would like to donate \$1200 dollars to the car show T Shirts. Nila made a motion to do so, Denise seconded; motion passed.
- 10. Business transactions: The dog groomer will be leaving Remus. No new business transactions to report.
- 11. **Town banners:** 40 banners were purchased; children from the area decorated them, ideas that were voted on. Winning participants were chosen. Painting of the banners will take place at Wheatland Music. Contact them for dates and times if you would like to participate in the event. Veronica Stickler was a huge part of this program; If you see her please thank her for her support to the DDA and Wheatland.
- 12. Walking Path: Dee reported the township had contacted her in concern of the wood chips near the tractor pull entrance floating down the hill, and the path needing repair and chip replacement. Adam suggested Billy Fate bring in chips for the path, that would intern need to be placed in areas needing repair and upkeep. Adam will be contacting Billy and reporting back to us if this is a possibility.
- 13. Advertising: Both the walking path and Memorial Garden will be advertised via our Facebook page and in the paper of choosing. We will be trying to do more promotional advertising for events, and our projects. In addition, we would also like to contract with the paper for set amount either digital or paper advertising to be used by the DDA, and businesses alike.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Dee Powell, seconded by Nila, all in favor motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:15

Next Meeting scheduled for June 15 2023, Time: 5:00 Gwin Girls, Adurves provide by the DDA, Drinks are your responsibility.