

CITY OF GRAND HAVEN
MUSICAL FOUNTAIN COMMITTEE
REGULAR SESSION
TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2022
GRAND HAVEN COMMUNITY CENTER
421 COLUMBUS AVENUE, GRAND HAVEN, MI 49417

MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Roll Call: Nicki Bonczyk, Andy Cawthon, Fred Manning, Stancie McClellan, Terry Stevens, Jerry Troke, Todd Brand, Liaison.

2. Approval of the minutes of December 14, 2021

Motion by Fred, Second by Andy. Carried unanimously.

3. New and General Business and Reports from Working Groups.

A. 60th Anniversary Project.

The project will now be referred to as "The Musical Fountain's 60th Birthday Party". The budget was discussed and estimated at \$20,000.00 to include the new water feature and the party. It was suggested to commission an original piece of art that could be reproduced and sold as prints or posters. The original piece could be presented to the most appropriate donor. Terry and Jerry introduced the committee to three artists they were asking for ideas from.

Another discussion included costs for a carnival like event submitted by ACP Entertainment. Most members favored more of a cake and ice cream event possibly with games and entertainment and featuring business for downtown establishments. In summary no rides will be included.

Andy reported he is waiting for further paperwork approval and the scale of the party would influence the need for additional approvals.

Additionally, Terry is working with the Tri-cities Historical Museum to put together an exhibit. The committee would like to ask the community for Fountain photographs.

B. Maintenance

Discussion centered around the garage doors, controls and Jerry and Terry's assessment of other problems on site. Nothing has been done to the roof, but Todd feels it can be worked on in the near future. After thanking Andy for building the new work bench there was a lengthy discussion about what type of vice was needed and where to put it.

C. Task Force – no business.

D. Production

Ryan has been designated to coordinate both the 4th of July and Coast Guard Festival Shows. Jerry has been communicating with Peter Stark and his daughter and they remain interested in programming for the Fountain.

E. Marketing

There was no new information on updating the rack cards. This continues to be a priority in the off season. Andy talked with Olmstead Signs and an effort has been made to get the Fountain included in new city signage.

Andy received notice the Fountain feature on "Wild Travels" will appear on PBS. He will let us know times and dates and asked if they would like to do an update for the Birthday Party. There was a discussion of other promotional ideas through the media.

F. Finance

More information on the formation of the 501C3 should be available in February

4. General Business

Meeting dates for 2022 were discussed. There continue to be openings on the Committee.

There was a request for a meeting about The Fountain's Birthday Party before the next general meeting. Andy volunteered to set it up.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by the chairman to adjourn. On call of roll, there being none opposed the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 8, 2022 at 6:00 PM at the Grand Haven Community Center.