

CITY OF GRAND HAVEN
MUSICAL FOUNTAIN COMMITTEE
REGULAR SESSION
TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021 AT 6:00 PM BY ZOOM

MINUTES

Call to Order/Roll Call

Present: Nicki Bonczyk, Andy Cawthon, Jamie Cooper, Stancie McClellan, Terry Stevens, Ryan Strayhorn, Kevin Waters, Todd Brand-Liason. Additional people on zoom were Ashley Latsch, the Mayor City Council members

Approval of the minutes of December 8, 2020.

Motion by Kevin, seconded by Andy

The first order of business was a statement read by Todd Brand. "Today it was brought to our attention that the Musical Fountain Website guidelines listed as Family Friendly shows needs to be updated. I will be meeting with the Human Relations Commission on arch 25th to discuss a new policy which promotes diversity and inclusion."

TABLED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

Sub-Committee Reports

- a. **Maintenance** – Todd reported he received P O for Kendall and the parts are ordered but on back order. P O for Donald Engineering had not been requested. Other discussion centered on scheduling startup, motor testing and an opening date goal. Concerns were expressed about the status of the transformer and BLP testing. The Committee asked what the procedure would be to pursue guidance from the city.

A tentative date of April 17 was set to rewire the valves on the Wave feature and work on other projects. Volunteers would be invited. There was a discussion of if food and beverage could be provided. No conclusion was made.

- b. **Production** – Ryan has 20 songs to test. It was discussed whether an on time opening should be expected and acknowledged this would depend on maintenance issues.
- c. **Marketing** – Terry is working with GVSU students to develop a questionnaire to assess the effect of the fountain on local businesses. Discussion followed on how and when this should be distributed. Andy recommended results could be circulated to Main Street Development Association, the Chamber and Rotary. Andy also reported he had approached two people to serve as volunteers. One is interested, one declined.
- d. **Task Force** – There was further discussion about April 17 work “party”. Terry will develop a tools list and Kevin volunteered to meet Todd on site to make a list of jobs to be done.
- e. **Finance** – There is a balance of \$215,061 in the Musical Fountain Community Foundation annuity account. Todd reported he has a city budget of \$7,000. The discussion that followed revolved around the Sound Investment funds earmarked for the repairs to the speaker house. No conclusion was made.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Procedure and time to contact operators, Todd will contact previous operators.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Andy and seconded by Kevin to adjourn. On call of roll, the being none opposed the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 13, 2021 in person.