

CITY OF GRAND HAVEN
MUSICAL FOUNTAIN COMMITTEE
REGULAR SESSION
WEDNESDAY, September 15, 2021
GRAND HAVEN COMMUNITY CENTER
421 COLUMBUS AVENUE, GRAND HAVEN, MI 49417

MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Roll Call: Nicki Bronczyk, Andy Cawthon, Jamie Cooper, Fred Manning, Stancie McClellan, Nicolette Nees, Terry Stevens, Jerry Troke, Todd Brand, Liaison. Also attending was Grand Haven Mayor, Bob Monetza.

2. Approval of the minutes of August 10, 2021

Motion by Andy, Second by Jamie. Carried unanimously.

New committee Fred Manning was introduced.

3. New and General Business-Reports from Working Groups developed via email.

A. Maintenance

Terry reported only two shows had to be cancelled because of mechanical problems. City facilities and Committee communications were thanked for their support during the cancellations.

Work on the front surface asphalt is completed. Smoke detectors should be installed 9/17 and repair of the pump house roof is awaiting the RFP.

Back up equipment is an ongoing project. Lighting extras should be in the five year plan so there are two spares on location.

B. Task Force

Terry will continue to update and expand the Master Sheet.

C. Production

Todd requested a schedule time change for the final two weekends of the Fountain. He will talk to the producer about the change.

Todd will get information about the two licenses the City has for music use.

A motion was made by Terry to approve \$15,000 to proceed with a new water feature to be introduced at the 60th Anniversary show. Andy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

D. Marketing

Nicki reported the Fountain Facebook page has nearly 20,000 fans. The most popular theme show this season was "The Greatest Showman". Distribution of a "Christmas in July" DVD was discussed. The feasibility of use of vintage shows was considered. The Committee does not have access to these shows.

E. Finance

A report was presented on the meeting among city officials and committee members. There was a discussion on the possibility of forming a 501C3 to support the Fountain. Information was presented about the Light House Conservancy's non-profit incorporation. It was decided more information should be developed about the benefits and costs of the effort and how it would work for the Fountain.

F. 60th Anniversary.

The Committee approved that Terry proceed with development of the Anniversary Show pending script approval. Terry said he plans to include nostalgic item in the show.

There was continuing discussion about fundraising for Fountain maintenance based on the Anniversary celebration.

Dates for the Anniversary show were discussed. It was decided August 27, 2022 or September 3, 2022 would be best.

4. General Business

It was agreed to allow the Credit Union use of the vintage photo they wanted for their lobby.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Andy, seconded by Terry to adjourn. On call of roll, there being none apposed the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 PM.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at the Grand Haven Community Center.

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