Dundee Mill and Park Partners Minutes - Wed. Nov 1, 2023

Meeting called to order at 6:09 pm by Rachel Koepke, Pres., with the following Directors present: Lenny Riesersma, Susan Haferman, Nancy Durn, Donna Leiberman, Jean Timple, Pat Brown, Troy Kruzick, and Maureen Beck. Guests present were – Larry Brown, Dean Kranig, Tom Henchcliff, Daniel Wolfe and Karen Wenger.   
Minutes from Sept 13, were approved as printed.  
Treasurer’s report: Sept– Checking BOH- $7644.56, MM BOH-$20880/62. See complete report and  
Oktoberfest preliminary report of approximately net proceeds is $5000 in Secretaries book.

Old Business

1. Outside display may be moved to under the pavilion until decision of location is made in Spring. Nancy and Susan each have a display case key.
2. Port-a-Potty will be picked-up with-in the next couple of weeks. Dean Kranig suggested putting in a holding tank and bathrooms. Questions about cleaning and cost of pump out.
3. Drexel said to call them in Spring when starting to construct garden shed.
4. Rachel thanked everyone for all the help making Oktoberfest successful.

**New Business**

* + - 1. Trough gate may be disabled until a whole new system for locking up trough will be installed.
      2. Turbine Watergate lock is the same as other locks.
      3. The idea of selling engraved bricks/pavers as memorials, for making path between parking lot and berm was discussed again. Dean Kranig says his company makes these items in different sizes and a 12x12 costs $125. He will bring sizes and costs to next meeting. Waiting for town to asphalt the road and parking area by pavilion to see what is planned for this area. Quote for this asphalting had been previously given to town. Tabled until Spring.
      4. Lenny reports that the berm manhole cover needs to be put back in place and maybe could use a riser. Will be looked into.
      5. Dean Kranig suggested to put outcroppings on sides of trash gate (3-6 ft long and 8-12 in deep) as they are eroding. He is willing to donate this project to be done this year or next depending on the weather. It was moved by Nancy and seconded by Pat to approve this project and then approved.
      6. Dean Kranig requested that he be allowed to put a small plaque with his name as donor, on the new Mill sign. This was acceptable.
      7. Gardening bill was turned into treasurer by Karen. Karen’s husband donated cutting the grass the last two times. Waiting for grass cutting bill from Eddie Ebert.
      8. Discussion and suggestions pertaining to Oktoberfest:

1. Tom stated that everyone did a fantastic job. Better signage/directions to available parking areas during event is needed. Also better defined markings for parking spots. Reminded us that many items bought this year can be used next year so costs will be less. Has given Nancy a drive of all the pictures taken that day to be used for the website. Should look into hiring a band now. Rachel is talking with the Dutchmen.
2. Nancy suggested hanging signs overhead making it easier for attendees to locate food, beer, tickets, etc
3. Still have outstanding bills, waiting for the Plymouth Brewery’s donation, and selling of leftover beverages.
4. Insurance costs were discussed and tabled.
5. More event handicap parking signs are needed for parking lot west of mill.
6. Bob Durn has 6 heavy duty yard sign stands that he is willing to donate to mill. Accepted by group. Needs to be brought to cage at town hall.
   * + 1. Susan said we received a check for $100 to correct and reprint the Mill history pamphlet. Jean said that the Murphy family stated May Murphy never owned the mill. History will be looked into and pamphlet changed as needed. Jean will work on this over the winter. Pat said he will also look into the history.
       2. Website was discussed and there is concern that newer technology is needed to make it easier to enter information. Will be discussed further at another time. Nancy has two flash drives with information about turbine and mill history from Dave Dins. Maybe a Directors page, that needs a password, can be added to the current website for this type of exclusive information.
       3. Donna has love lites here for each director to sell for our ceremony/party on Dec. 9 from 3-4pm. Please bring a dozen cookies that day. If not gotten tonight, you may pick up at the mill your pack of them. This a fund raiser so get out there and sell them. Also she has the mill prints by Andy Stoeffle at her house that we can sell. Four of the prints are remarked.
       4. Questioned whether paid bills were submitted to town board for ARPA money. Troy said they are still working on turbine parts and will submit all bills at the same time.
       5. Karen said Bill Volkert is interested in doing a bird/prairie grass project at the mill park with no cost or care for us. Tabled until Spring.

The next meeting is on Dec 9, 2023 at 2 pm at the mill followed by Love Lite Ceremony.

At 7:50pm it was moved by Lenny, seconded by Susan and approved to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted, Nancy Durn, Secretary