

MICHIGAMME TOWNSHIP DDA 2021

Minutes for October 4, 2021

Opening of Meeting: Meeting was called to order by chairman Scott G. at 6:12 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Absent Virginia O.

Approval of Agenda: Motion made by William S. to approve the agenda with date change for item IV to September 8th. Seconded by Kelly O. All in Favor.

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Julia L. to approve the minutes with the date correction to September 8th. Seconded by William S. all in Favor.

Treasurers Report: Rose M. reported that we received \$16920.87 in TIF money. We have one paid bill that has not been cashed yet for \$3635.00 for the information center. As of 9-10-21 there is \$34396.79 in the checking, \$5042.23 in the ICS and \$2004.68 in the savings. Motion made by William S. to approve the treasures report, seconded by Scott G. All in Favor.

Public Comment: Terry McBride wanted us to know that we are doing a fine job and is looking forward to the signage changes that are coming.

Member Comment: Julia L. would like to thank Michelle Benti for her help with the gardens. Joe C. informed us about the trails meeting and how exciting it was. He said it can really help Michigamme in many aspects. We were informed from the Marquette Monthly article that the Moonshine Gallery will be closing on October 30, 2021.

Old Business:

- 1- **Paddle Signs Update:** Scott G. reported that he had one sealed bid and the other two got delivered at the last minute to Negaunee. Two of the businesses recommended we use aluminum as opposed to the foam core that we voted to use. We will get bids on both styles from all three and open them next month. The sealed bid is being held by the treasurer. Motion to postpone made by William S., seconded by Rose M. All In Favor.
- 2- **Highway Billboards Update:** Scott G. reported that he has texted, emailed and called Gary H. about the requested entry sign changes and the other we need prototypes of. He will try again and ask if he is really interested. If he is not, we will look for someone else. William reported that we should move the Moose Sign to the south a bit once we get the new one. No action taken.
- 3- **Panels & Lights:** Kelly O. let us know that after measuring the booth that two 36x24 inch locking panels would fit just fine. As opposed to one large one that would be difficult to open. They will run about \$250-\$300 a piece depending on the backing material, cork or synthetic. Melissa G. thought the synthetic was a better choice for not warping. Kelly will look at more vendors for comparison. Discussion was held about the rack card slots and interior lighting. Kelly will do the homework for next month. It was also discussed about the county

plow moving so fast down the street that they throw the snow, rocks, sand, salt etc. up well past the sidewalk area. William S. will write to the Road Commission about slowing down on the main street.

- 4- Town Plan: Copies were given to all members. Scott G. motioned that we review them individually for updates and changes to be reviewed in November. Seconded by Joe C. All in Favor.
- 5- Holiday Market: Julia L. reported that we have 16 vendors as of today and would like to move forward with the market. When we did our first one at the library it was small but has grown to 30. This is our first Holiday one and we hope to grow this one too. Motion made by Julia L. to move ahead with the November 6th market, seconded by Rose M. All in Favor.

New Business:

- 1- 2022 Goals: Julia L., Campaign for selling township empty lots for businesses. Scott G., Big Sign on bluff coming in from the east. Kelly O., Would like m-dot to put up a mile marker for Michigamme. Rose M., Cook shack kitchen and bathroom update. Melissa G., Public restrooms. Other ideas, bike racks, kayak launch, trail head, stain gazebo, more trails, hanging flower baskets.
- 2- Olson Plaque Dedication: Discussion was held and the committee will honor what the Olson family thinks is a good time.
- 3- Thank you: A thank you will be sent to Tim E. for his fine work on the information center construction and coordination of the concrete etc. Secretary Julia L. will do this.
- 4- 150 DDA Float: William showed us the cake idea, we are thinking about it.

Adjournment: Motion by William S. to adjourn, seconded by Kelly O. All in Favor. Adjourned 7:38 p.m.