

SENATOR FRANK L. MADLA, JR. NATURAL AREA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

Date of Meeting: May 25, 2014

Type of Meeting: Board of Directors Meeting

Place of Meeting: Grey Forest City Hall

Time of Meeting: 6:00 PM.

- ❖ Meeting Called to Order by Ron Green at 6 PM
- ❖ Recording of Board Members Present – Ron Green, Jennifer Nottingham, Storms Duthie, Susan Beavin and Ron Reinhard
- ❖ Declaration of a Quorum - yes
- ❖ Secretary's Report – April 27, 2014 Meeting Minutes - approved as written
- ❖ Financial Report - reviewed

Discuss and take action (if necessary) on the following topics:

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1. Old Business:

- Ron Reinhard - Mitch Thornton to report on camera software – put on next month's agenda
- Frank Madla - Fundraising, caterer for fundraising event at park; website – put on next month's agenda
- Ron Green - David McDermott final review regarding Fossil signage; brochures – Ron Will contact David re the Fossil sign, as we have not heard anything. Susan Beavin presented a black & white, and a color version of a brochure. The map will be on the inside. We need to add contact information to the back. Ron said he would check to see if we could add to the City's phone message system, but will still need to determine someone to take care of ordering the pavers, etc.
- Jen Nottingham - check with Laurie Hawkins regarding the endangered birds and park entry – already done
- Rental Agreement for Madla NA -The Board made changed to the proposal presented by Susan and we will review again next month. We will need a designated person to be the Event Coordinator.
- Cottage Maintenance by Myra Hanson–Jen briefly spoke to Myra and they will continue discussion following a site visit to establish a monthly rate.
- Knox Boxes – Jen talked to Robert at the GFFD. As a bigger chain is needed for installation, Jen will obtain the boxes first. The Fire Dept has one and Jen will ask that they order another. Cost estimated at \$149.00.
- Coyote Fencing around Generator by Matt Galvan – Storms Duthie – not completed.
- Frank – remaining trail signs – put on next month's agenda.
- No Smoking Signs – the smaller sign has been delivered to City Hall for installation by Chris Mikel.

2. New Business:

- Discuss vandalism of Cow Bird Trap and their release – Susan will check with Laurie for the correct wording for the Cow Bird information, and then have Signs Now create two signs for the cage. We will add "Tampering Will Result in Prosecution". A camera will be located for surveillance of the Cow Bird Trap.
- Misc:

The Board decided to replace the one dead Chinquapin Oak with two smaller ones.

Ron Green will move forward with his contact regarding installation of the plinth for Jon Allan. Jen moved the Board spend up to \$4,000. for this purchase and installation. Storms Duthie seconded the motion, which passed. It was noted that we should have a similar plinth and plaque for Sen. Madla. Jen amended her original motion to include up to \$10,000 for the purchase and installation of both plinths and a plaque for the Senator. Storms seconded the motion, which passed. Ron Green will check with Nettie Birnbaum regarding the plaque. The plinth and plaque for the Senator will be located on the hilltop.

The Board once again discussed an 8' - no climb fence along the unauthorized trail of a park neighbor.

Jen will call Apple Pest Control to get a price for the cottage extermination. Susan asked that renovation of the historic hilltop cottage be put on the next agenda.

There are several areas needing erosion control – East Bend Trail – James Stevens has several RR ties that could be used; main road from Scenic Loop to hilltop needs work and it was suggested we have Chris Mikel look into this and that we stock-pile several loads of base for future work; and, we need a curb at the main entrance to address the water issue. Storms will contact James Swisher. Susan moved to authorize up to \$3,000 for this work and that the Board authorize Ron Reinhard’s discretion to increase this amount. Jen seconded the motion, which passed. Susan will order two “Dangerous Drop-off” signs for the hilltop.

Adjournment at 7:50PM