Parks and Recreation Committee

September 8, 2022

Bois Blanc Township Hall

Present: Committee members – Diane Akright, Ginger Canup, and Karen Beauchamp

Guests: Marianne Miller

Meeting was called to order by Ginger Canup at 4:20pm

Minutes - have not been completed and will be tabled for the next meeting.

Old Business

Properties

Bright Waters Park: We officially have our extension as of 9/6/22 – until 2/28/23. Now that we have the EGLE permit, we also have to have an USACE permit. Working with Sue Bright on that now. In the mean time a "bid posting" has been put together and the board will be able to review it so it is ready when we get the final permit.

Lake Mary/Liedel Landing: No new actions taken here.

North Shore: I have heard nothing from the Gaylord office on the Land Use Permit. (Diane will call them tomorrow.) I have permits for LMAS ready to go, but can't do anything without the Land Use Permit first.

Nichols Point Park: There was discussion regarding the contacting of the businesses in the area for donation. The township board already approved the letter and our pursuit, but this really should be done in person, not just by a mailed letter. Diane discussed a mailing to all property owners. The \$63,000 for the property seems like a large amount, but when you break it down it doesn't look daunting. We have been at the Farmers Market all summer, but you really don't reach a large number of people. I'm still running into individuals that know nothing about this. There are roughly 1000 property owners on Bois Blanc Island. If each owner gave \$65.00 you would have the funds. Some can't give that much and some would probably give more, but they need to be aware. All agreed to a letter to be mailed with the township's approval. Ginger and Diane will both take a stab at a letter and hopefully have it ready for the September Board Meeting. We can then print labels from our tax roll and mail out ASAP.

Fundraising

Farmer's Market: We have made \$2442.00 over the last 10 weeks. There was some discussion about future fundraisers.

Marianne Miller suggested it was a good time for another art fair. We could charge a minimal fee for vendors with the proceeds to go to Parks & Rec. We discussed locations as possibly the Hideaway again, or maybe the Hoffman Property (Old Orchard Inn). Marianne will do some investigation. She has experience in coordinating this and is willing to help.

Logo Contest: We currently have 1 submission with 2 possibilities. **Photo Contest**: We currently have 21 entries and it is going to be hard to determine a winner!

New Business

Resignation was received from Missy Phillips. Her ideas and participation will be missed. Her resignation will go to the Township Board for acceptance and a new posting will go up.

Other things discussed:

- Kite Flying Event (maybe on the beach or at Bible Farm?)
- Raffle (Could be in conjunction with the Art Fair) we have 3 large pictures donated and a quilt.
- Need some things that are just "fun" community events.

Public Comments

Schedule

Next meeting is scheduled for October 13, 2022 @ 4pm. (Board will meet at 3:00 in November to do the photo judging.)

With no new business the meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.