

Bear Lake promoters

Minutes

February 2, 2010

Meeting called to order: 8:00 AM by President Rita Brisbin

Minutes were circulated and approved

Treasurer's report was circulated and reviewed by Treasurer Don Brisbin and accepted. Savings Balance \$1411.23 Checking Balance \$7266.28. Discussed transferring the bulk of the money to savings.

Approved

Correspondence: Terri Alkire-Schmidt was not in attendance. A thank you from St. Joe Food Pantry was shared. A letter from Mitchell Graphics was discussed. They are our postcard source. Discussed doing postcards with Sparkle pictures. Jeff Turner volunteered to be on a committee to work on postcards. A letter was shared from the Manistee Civic Players-do we want an ad in their program. Manistee Chamber bill was discussed. We decided to remain a member for \$172.50 and to include an invitation to visit us for a meeting with our check.

Old Business:

1. Oak Grove

Pauline mentioned that we are interested in working on the roof with our thank-you letter. We haven't heard from them yet.

2. Pavilion

Don, Rita and Pauline attended the Village Council Meeting. They presented the idea of enclosing the pavilion. The council would like the north wall made more permanent with siding on it. They would be willing to buy the siding. We discussed the possibility of having kids paint a mural on the inside of the permanent wall. There is grant money available for park work.

3. Members

68 members are paid so far. We have three complimentary members,

4. Easter Egg Hunt

Will be April 23 in the park-weather permitting. It is ok with the village even though the park opens on the 15th.

5. Schedule of Events

Pauline provided a list of events. Bear Lake after Hours will be October 20 and April 21. The sponsor will be Rita's Retreat on April 21 and we will introduce Jeff Turner, our newest member.

6. Bear Lake Days

The Board will chair the Baked Potato sale.

We will put together a float with the banners on the sides. We will have people dress up to signify our events, Easter Bunny, Santa, Garage Sale Maven, etc. We will need a fancy car.

More musical groups would be nice for the parade.

7. Budget

Discussed the proposed budget. We did the first reading. We will use the budget as a spending guide. We will put unused Sparkle funds in a reserved category for future projects. We will vote on the budget at the next meeting

8. Jacque Erdman reported on contacts with Milarch's to look into replacing trees on Potter road. No information yet.

New Business:

1. Jeff Turner suggested hosting a Kite Boarding Rodeo as a winter event. They have a similar event at George Town Lake in Montana. We would only have to build a wooden ramp.
2. Jeff also suggested having a celebration to end Sparkle. Perhaps a New Years Eve celebration. A Red Neck celebration was discussed, "Turn out the lights and then drop the bear"!!
3. Discussed a mural on the end of the pavilion.
4. Discussed a snow person building contest. Maybe combine with the Kite Boarding. Also could have a phone fan out when we get a big snow and just do it as a spontaneous social adult/family event without the contest part. Then meet at the Bear Lake Bar after.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 AM

Respectfully submitted by Linda W. Schweyer, Secretary