

HSC Foundation, Inc.
Minutes August 11, 2023

Attendees: Patricia Schiefer, Teresa Schanski, Joel Schultz, John MacFarland, Matt Lawrence, Richard Pershinske

Richard Pershinske called the meeting to order at 9:03 am.

Joel Schultz made a motion to approve the minutes of July 14, 2023, Teresa Schanski seconded, motion carried.

We need to arrange the check presentation for the United Way grant. Joel can do. Teresa has reached out to their CEO and is waiting for a response. Pat has signed and emailed the acknowledgement of the Graymont watershed grant to Erica Newland. Dick and John have been in contact with Lauren Brown regarding the amount of the Enbridge watershed grant. She communicated that we are awarded a grant but she is unable to tell us the amount at this time.

Our current balance at Edward Jones is \$27,895.49 in Money Market and \$11,789.39 in Stock for a total of \$39,684.88. The checking account at TACU has a balance of \$500.04. Teresa made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, Joel Schultz seconded, motion carried.

Agenda Changes/Additions: Meet and Greet will be pushed until October 20, 2023 at 4:00 pm.

Legacy and Memorial Park: Foundation on hold until the BOG decides next steps. Dick encourages that the location remains at Marina Point.

MOU with the Hiawatha Sportsman's Club: Minor wording revisions with the club are awaiting Charley Lawler. MOU with the Sault Tribe: Joel sees no value in it at this time and it will no longer be an agenda item.

Garfield Recreation Plan: No update.

Recycling: Jeff Hagan will be putting together a materials management plan. There will be 14 members and likely will be a tri-county effort.

Children's Endowment: Still no responses from trustees so it will move to our next meeting.

Rivalry: Do at Meet and Greet in October as a fundraiser.

Grant Writing: Justin Knepper has been paid for his work on the TC Energy grant and the Graymont grant. He will be paid when the award from Enbridge is received. Garfield Township needs a new system for air tanks, \$30-35,000 investment. Have Justin look for grants with Hudson and Hendricks townships. Mark Schiefer will proceed with writing grant for the

culverts/crossings at One Mile and Cold Creek. He will also continue investigating trout rearing between the club and Engadine Consolidated Schools.

EUP Substance Use Disorder Initiative: It has been decided that we add Veterans. Monica Erickson was the minute taker. Other participants were recommended. There are enough fuel cards to last another month. The group meets again on Thursday. Teresa will invite Lisa Simmons, RN. Dick says counseling for veterans is hard to find. County board would be interested in providing an office. Dick will have Scott Brown of Samaritan Health contact them.

High Line: Meet and Greet was a full house with many technical questions answered. Garfield Township is now a "smart township" and all work is completed. The rates start at \$100 per month with seasonal possible.

Legacy Giving: Deferred to next meeting.

Transfer Station Agreement with Newton Township: Nothing new to report.

Membership: Tie in to Meet and Greet event.

Marketing: Looking for a marketing and PR person. Joel has said no. Dick will see if Pam Cingano might be interested. Send ideas to Dick. It should be a person with interest in the community or club. Dick suggested trying "Tap on It". Pat checked on it and found it to be \$50/month.

Youth Engaged in Outdoor Recreation: Fund "initiative for youth in the outdoors" cause can be presented at our meet and greet in October. It could tie in with the summer activities programs. Some other related events coincide such as trout rearing, trap shooting with Roland Laning, fishing with Matt Lawrence. Joel mentioned Trout Unlimited, DNR (Stacey Welling), Sault Tribe (whitefish and walleye), MUCC (Amy Trotter), and the LSSU fish biology program.

Citizen/Contributor of the Year: Ron Nicol was selected as our "Citizen of the Year" and the award will be presented at our meet and greet.

Matt will secure one to two pages in the next Council Fire edition to celebrate wins with the Foundation and if space allows also an article on volunteerism. Pat and Teresa will co-edit with him.

Our next meeting will be September 8, 2023 at 9:00 am. "The road goes on forever, the party never ends".

The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 am

