

HSC Foundation Inc. Meeting Minutes November 25, 2020

Attendees: Teresa Schanski, Richard Pershinske, Joel Schultz, Patricia Schiefer, Karen Marshall, John MacFarland, and Angie McArthur

Richard Pershinske, president, called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Teresa Schanski moves to accept the minutes from the October 28, 2020 meeting as written, Angie McArthur seconds, motion carries.

Our current bank balance is \$22,744.28 with \$21,000.00 committed.

The following items will be added to the agenda: Watershed Phase 1 completion and Michigan Strategic Fund.

Richard Pershinske has spoken with Gerry Grossman and he will be recommending suitable trees to plant. He will contact Phil Hale regarding some similar forests he has had experience with. Ron Swan, Fish, Game, and Fowl, will facilitate smoothing and planting grass seed at the proposed site. Karen Marshall will coordinate with Ron Swan. Handicap accessibility and standard signage rather than individual names on trees was discussed. It was also discussed to consider hiring a designer to include paths and benches. Karen Marshall advises that the Hiawatha Sportsman's Club website redesign will be complete in the spring of 2021. She also stated that grantor signage for Phase 1 Millecoquins Lake Watershed Plan will be completed in the spring of 2021. Regarding the Jocko Pond family/handicap dock, Jim Peters did the design and researched the posts needed. Dick Pershinske submitted a list of materials to Menard's and will also do so for Lowe's for possible donation to this project. The next step will be to the club's board of governors. Richard Pershinske will contact Eric Clark to participate in the Fish, Game, and Fowl meeting on December 3rd at 9:00 am. Teresa Schanski expects to complete the letter to the Hiawatha Sportsman's Club members by the end of the week. It was discussed to try to obtain email address information using our social media connections and the winter Council Fire. The tribal interaction plan will be a shared format with Eric Clark. Joel Schultz will facilitate all parties concerned in the memorandum of understanding. The Garfield Township recreation plan is slowly evolving. There is no news on recycling. Angie McArthur will try LARA.

Patricia Schiefer made a motion to remove Steven Rogers as a check signer on the HSC Foundation Inc. Prime Share and Share Draft accounts at the Tahquamenon Area Credit Union to be replaced by Teresa Schanski. The two authorized check signers will be Richard Pershinske (president) and Teresa Schanski (vice-president/treasurer) from this date forward. Karen Marshall seconded, motion carried.

Patricia Schiefer has successfully completed the application process to obtain a DUNS number for the Foundation. She has also begun the process of registering for SAM.gov. Richard Pershinske will mail the letter requiring the president's notarized signature to complete the process. Patricia Schiefer will then sign the foundation up for Grants.gov. Richard Pershinske wrote a letter to the Hiawatha Sportsman's Club Board of Governors regarding communication between our two organizations. Richard Pershinske will follow-up with the Engadine Schools regarding possible assistance with an HVAC audit and possible CARES act funding for purifying these systems. We discussed beginning looking for grant opportunities to fund phase 2 of the watershed plan. Richard Pershinske will contact Erica Newland at LSSU regarding the Graymont grant. Stacy Welling Haughey, Upper Peninsula Regional Coordinator for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, will be invited to our December meeting. It was discussed that we should develop a relationship with the Michigan Strategic Fund. We will invite Donna LaCourt, Economic/Community Development Specialist for the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, to our January meeting. Richard Pershinske looked at a grant for invasive species but the club is not large enough to be considered. CISMO is submitting the grant request concerning invasive species and they will contact HSC in the spring. The foundation provided a supporting letter for CISMA with their grant request.

Our next meeting will be December 30, 2020 at 9:00 am.