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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Richfield Township Hall, 1410 N. Saint Helen Road, Saint Helen, Mi 48656

May 22, 2023

- I. Meeting Called to order at 6:00 p.m., the pledge of allegiance was recited by all
- II. Roll Call taken--- Jan Waltz, Kathy Jernigan , Ray Wlosinski,  
John Sutter , Vijay Kumar , Tina Carpenter, Shirley Karch and Vickie Smith .
- III. Additions to agenda—none
- IV. Introduction of Guests— none
- V. Motion by John Sutter to approve April Minutes and , seconded by Tina Carpenter. Motion passed
- VI. Treasurer’s Report: Submitted by Kathy Jernigan The total balance as of 5/22/23 \$3941.96 which includes:  
Summer Kick Off Funds of: \$1066.00. DDA Funds of: \$144.84  
Report to be filed for future audit.
- VII. President’s Report -Nothing other than items on agenda already.
- VIII. Standing Committee Reports;
  - a. Memberships--- 3 new individual memberships. TeeBox in H.Lake interested in membership  
Jan and Kathy will probably visit the new businesses in town.
  - b. Raffles –no new raffles right now....just finished Fishing Day raffle with Summer Kick Off
  - c. Marketing Committee Report – No meeting was held for April
  - d. ARPA Committee Report-no new things going on. Possible unspent funds will need to be  
Ret’d to government when the debt ceiling issue gets resolved.
  - e. Office Manager Update – nothing new right now.
- IX. Old Business
  - a. Summer Kick Off— Good response to Summer Kick Off events even though the day was cold.  
Question was asked where the raffle prizes came from; Kathy, Jan, Vickie & Harley made all of  
the donations. Ray would like to spread that to all board members next year. Woody donated  
\$’s to We Care after his hot dog eating contests. Can’t park on the septic field.
  - b. Special 40 year Anniversary Medallion Hunt— Medallion found on third clue day by Joe  
Spurgeon...it was under a cinder block in one of the dugouts at the ball field. He was suppose to be  
at the Kick Off to get his check given to him (\$100.00 donated by Fultz Ins.) but he was a no-show.
  - c. Chamber Business After Hours— Tina thought it went very well, would have liked better attendance.  
It was suggested that not all chamber board members need to attend each after hours. Vickie will  
send out an email to businesses locally letting them know there are dates available.
  - d. Election Committee—we had one interested party, but he never confirmed his interest. Called  
him and sent him emails but he did not respond to any of it. The seven people currently on the  
board are still interested in being involved, so there will be no ballots sent out but at the June 26<sup>th</sup>  
meeting they will decide who gets what position.
  - e. Higgins Lake/Rosco Expo—visitors and vendors were down from previous years.

- X. New Business
- a. Need to promote Business After Hours...we have June, July, October, November December open. Vickie will post on facebook again to encourage sign ups. Should we limit # of people from each Business? Can we message or text members to remind them—Ray will check into that. Need to get feedback from businesses---Ray will create a survey.
  - b. What's Next? Snowpackers NoSnow Run 5/27—Shirley will take info to have available on table. Public Safety Pancake Breakfast 5/28—Ray to take info to have available on table. Fireworks Fundraiser Golf Scramble is June 4<sup>th</sup>, American Legion Car Show June 10th
- XI. Good of the Order— Jan has discussed having the message center installed at the township bldg.. Paul D. will do the work for \$50.00, Ray said OKAY. No motion made
- XII. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm. Next meeting will be June 26th John Sutter made a motion to adjourn the meeting, it was seconded by Tina Carpenter.

Respectfully,  
Vickie Smith, Recording Secretary