

- X. New Business
- a. ARPA representative—Ray would like to be on the ARPA board. They are allotting one chair to represent the chamber & DDA combined. John Sutter made a motion to put Ray on that board and it was seconded by Jan Waltz. Motion Passed.
 - b. Suggestions for Use of townships ARPA Funds;
 - Sidewalk on east side of M-76 from Artesia Beach to M-76/97 split. Have rec'd a Bid of \$108,000 but could go to \$135,000.
 - Flag poles to line the street—perhaps with planter bases
 - Disc golf course
 - Pavilion at the Cove park. Size 30'x40' with electric
 - c. NMCAC is holding their Festival of Trees. The chamber will sponsor a tree. The event is held on Dec. 4th. Vijay Kumar made a motion to proceed with the tree, John Sutter seconded the motion. Motion passed
- XI. Vijay has some comments regarding improvements to the overall handling of the chamber webpage. He would like to see a picture of the entire board on our webpage. He also thinks we should start a "Job Opportunity" page where local companies can post their needs for help.
- XII. John Sutter made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jan Waltz .

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm

Respectfully,

Vickie Smith
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

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

October 25, 2021

- I. Meeting Called to order at 6:02 p.m., the pledge of allegiance was recited by all
- II. Roll Call taken, Bev VanMeter (exc) , Jan Waltz, Kathy Jernigan, Ray Wlośinski, John Sutter, Vijay Kumar, Torrie Wright (unexc.), Vickie Smith.
- III. No additions to agenda
- IV. No guests in attendance
- V. Motion by Jan Waltz and seconded by Vijay Kumar, to approve the minutes from the September 20th meeting. Motion Passed
- VI. Treasurer's report given by Kathy Jernigan. Balance \$4764.39, reflecting all income and expenses plus \$294.81 of DDA account. Report to be filed for future audit.
- VII. President's Report— Ray expressed his "Thanks" to all the golf outing helpers. Netted \$986.11 from Golf outing. Has had a complaint that the chamber was not present with a member table at the Heroes Ride. Ray expressed his concern, he did not think that was an appropriate place to solicit.
- VIII. Committee Reports
 - a. Memberships--- possible membership coming in from RZR Rip N' Rentals. Jan has dropped off Paperwork and talked extensively to them. Kathy wants to contact owner of the TrailsEnd Storage and possibly Carts R'Us
 - b. Raffles---nothing to report
 - c. Marketing Committee Report—a grant has been entered for a Message Center to be located in front of the township building, in the horseshoe. Grant amount should be about \$1000.00, will the DDA be willing to put some \$'s into this---it will benefit all.
- IX. Old Business
 - a. Golf Outing— this years golf outing was a success. Next year perhaps we can have some golf related items to put in the "goodie" bags. Kathy has checked into the big inflatables that are used for a chipping contest but they run about \$500.00. More appropriate for larger outings.
 - b. Quilt Show – The quilt show was a big success. Already getting requests to be told about next years show. Higgins Lake/Roscommon Chamber and St. Helen Chamber split the raffle money which gave each organization \$75.00. \$60.00 was donated to Meals on Wheels. There was \$92.00 profit, Tracy added \$8.00 and there was a \$100.00 gift card presented to The LaPortes of The Barn for their kindness. This was from both chambers. Kathy has a country register, she will pass information on to Vickie and she will get information on how, when and cost to get our event published for next year.
 - c. Organizations Meeting—Ray needs to get going on this....some organizations are already setting their dates for 2022
 - d. Ray to set up judges for Friday Oct. 29th. Vickie will have scoring sheets available on that Friday.
 - e. Christmas Decorating-We should do OUTSIDE only for all. Because businesses can be judged inside, we are lacking decorations outside and the goal is to BEAUTIFY St. Helen. Start advertising early that the contests will be held and the changes in judging.
 - f. John Sutter and Melissa Sullivan will not be here on Nov. 27th for the parade, but they will have everything in place and have someone substitute for them---possibly Pam Scott and Jerry Mynarcik. The floats should show who or what group they are representing. The parade will start at the Veteran's Memorial and go to the Township Hall. There will be 3-4 travel trophies for categories to be named later.