

Roscommon Area Recreation Authority (RARA)

November 18, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Chair S. Jock at 7 p.m. at the AuSable River Center.

Board Members Present: S. Jock, C. Allen, D. Smitz, C. Hutek, S. Hinds, E. Hart (video) Excused: K. Williams

Guests: Pat Riss (CRAF Center), Tracy Bosworth (Gahagan Nature Preserve-video), Lori Mattingly & Pam Tucker (Christmas in the Village-video)

Public Comment: None

Minutes of the September 16, 2020 meeting were approved as presented, motion C. Hutek, 2nd D. Smitz, motion carried.

Treasurer Report – Attached. Motion to approve as presented C. Allen, 2nd D. Smitz, motion carried.

Payment of Bills: Profit & Loss Statement through 11/13/2020 attached.

Correspondence: None

New Business:

- 2021 Budget Approval – Motion D. Smitz, 2nd C. Hutek to approve with change (reduce membership dues from \$90,000 to \$80,000) Motion approved with roll call vote, Aye-S. Jock, C. Allen, D. Smitz, S. Hinds, C. Hutek, E. Hart
- 2021 Meeting Schedule – January 27, March 17, May 19, July 14, September 22, November 22
- Mackinaw Bridge Authority Tower Tour Fund Raiser-S. Jock will submit required form to enter into drawing.
- MCACA – received Grant of \$3,800 for 2021 Gazebo Concert Series
- Grounds Maintenance CRAF Center, Metro Park, AuSable River Center- Discussion included mowing of properties, custodial duties at CRAF Center & River Center, snow blowing CRAF Center sidewalks, and general maintenance. Contract out or hire a part time worker. Options will be investigated.

Old Business:

- RARA Safety Guidelines and CRAF Center Policy & Procedures Manuals being revised. CRAF Center complete, River Center additions include 2 additional fire alarms, 1 fire extinguisher, and emergency signage. Gahagan Nature Preserve will be completed.
- RARA Policy & Procedure – Motion to approve C. Hutek, 2nd D. Smitz, motion carried.
- 2019 Audit – Motion to approve C. Allen, 2nd D. Smitz, motion carried.
- Tisdale Pathways Grooming – Group consists of 7 community volunteers. Schedule being worked out. Each volunteer will have approximately 2 weeks a season. The sled and supplies are ready.
- Reappointment of RARA Board Members – D. Smitz (Higgins Twp.) and C. Hutek (Village of Roscommon)
- Board Reappointments – D. Smitz (Village of Roscommon), C. Hutek (Higgins Township)
- Metro Park Upgrades – Received a \$5,000 Rotary District Grant November 10. A new piece of playground equipment will be added to Metro Park in the spring.

Member Comments/Reports

Christmas in the Village (CIV) – L. Mattingly – All events are canceled due to Covid-19. The CRAF Center lawn will be decorated; The Santa House will be placed on the corner of Fifth and Lake Streets in the Village. The Annual CIV Raffle will be held, tickets are \$5 each. Pasties can be ordered, \$5 each or 4 for \$18. Children's Assessment Center will not be holding their annual Christmas Tree Fund raiser.

AuSable River Center – S. Jock – Verlan Kruger family has been contacted, they will pick up display items in December. They were appreciative of the opportunity to have items displayed at the Center. Vacant office has been leased. Safety plan in the works, emergence evac signage posted, grounds upkeep discussed.

CRAF Center – P. Riss – Sewer pipe in front lawn of CRAF Center compromised by root damage. Over 40 feet replaced, Thank you Carl Jock, Pat and Jeff. The new digital sign is to be installed within the next two weeks. Attendance is down, but steady. Memberships are still being purchased.

Gahagan Nature Preserve- T. Bosworth – Due to Covid-19 there are no school programs. Revenue down, trails are open 24/7. The Village of Roscommon plows the parking lot making trails accessible year around. GNP is working with Ron Alden, Village of Roscommon, in regards to the addition of recycle center property for additional parking.

FUTURE FUNDING AND IDEAS

- RARA Webpage – May 2021
- Next meeting January 27, 2021
- C. Hutek – Expand area bike paths, connect to Hartwick Pines State Park. Include rest stops/overnight areas.

Adjourn – Motion to adjourn C. Allen, 2nd D. Smitz. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM. The next meeting is January 27, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Allen, Secretary

1:39 PM

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Accrual Basis

Roscommon Area Recreation Authority
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2020

	<u>Dec 31, 20</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Chase Checking	22,336.10
Chase Savings	43,035.21
Total Checking/Savings	<u>65,371.31</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>65,371.31</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>65,371.31</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Payroll Liabilities	
State Withholding Payable	395.16
Total Payroll Liabilities	<u>395.16</u>
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>395.16</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>395.16</u>
Total Liabilities	395.16
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	46,131.17
Net Income	18,844.98
Total Equity	<u>64,976.15</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>65,371.31</u>