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IRON ORE HERITAGE RECREATION AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES OF JANUARY 25, 20107

- I. ROLL CALL - Don Britton, Chocolay; Nick Leach, Marquette; Glenn Johnson, Marquette Township; Al Reynolds, Negaunee Township; Larry Bussone, Ishpeming, Dawn Hoffman, Tilden Township; Dean DuMoulin, Republic Township; Lauren Luce, Marquette County
Guests: Tony Harry, TEAM, Rob Katona, DNR; Kathy Peters, Marquette Township
Excused Absence: Jim Thomas, Negaunee
- II. PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items – Limit to three minutes) - Tony Harry asked about ORV trail in Marquette Township next to Heritage Trail.
- III. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA – Hoffman motioned to approve consent agenda; Larry Bussone. Seconded motion. Vote and motion carried unanimously..**
Consent agenda included December meeting minutes and January financials including Balance sheet showing total assets of \$388,392.22; total liabilities of \$311,074.15 and total equity of \$77,318.07. Profit/Loss showed December income of \$(127) and total expenses of \$9083 for net income of (\$9083). YTD net income of \$33,761. Budget to actual December shows net income at 94% for December and YTD of 122%. General ledger shows checks written in December from 1854 to 1863. January bills to be paid totaled \$19,073.
- IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Johnson motioned to accept agenda as presented; Hoffman seconded. Vote and motion carried unanimously.**
 - A. OLD BUSINESS
 - 1 Grant Updates
 - i. Trust Fund Signage –Fulsher noted that all 10 panels came in December and will have to wait until spring..
 - ii. Recreation Passport Trailhead Amenities –working with Bill Sanders to get ready to get Request for quotes on the various amenities—benches, bike racks, bike fixing stations.
 - iii. MSU Sustainable Grant – Cliffs Shaft – A Lake Bancroft meeting is scheduled for February to follow up on the MSU Study.
 - iv. 2017 DNR Trust Fund – Shelters – Fulsher noted that would like to incorporate the Carp River Kilns into the shelter planned at mouth of Carp River in Marquette. This area provides extra points as it is on Governor’s Trail, plus we can go for other grants to help with it. Working with MDOT, City of Marquette and Bill Sanders and Ken Czapski to provide okays to use stone, get drawings ready..
 2. Maintenance List 2017 –The maintenance list was included in packet. Will be busy summer. Britton received quote from Associated on fixing Section 16 pit culvert. Hoping it would come under \$2500 but came in at \$2876. **Johnson motioned to approve awarding the work to Associated for culvert removal and reinstall. DuMoulin seconded motion. Vote and motion carried.**
 3. Web Site reconstruction – Elegant Seagulls provided two concepts for us to look at. Fulsher receiving input and will work with Elegant Seagulls to tweak.

4. ORV improvement funds (\$10K) – Fulsher noted that we have \$10K from ORV grant for gravel surfacing but inquired if we want to move this money to Negaunee bluff bulldozing. Britton will have Scott LaCombe from Hiawatha Snowmobile Club (and engineer) to look at area in spring. Snowmobile may also get \$10,000 to help with this problem area..

V. NEW BUSINESS

- 2017
- A. Employee Review and Compensation – **Johnson motioned to to pay Fulsher \$66K in and provide 3% raise next two years after: Leach supported. Vote and motion carried unanimously.**
 - B. Republic Trailhead – **Hoffman motioned to table this issue until our February meeting in order to get more information. DuMoulin seconded motion.** Discussion on what is expected from Republic, History Museum, and IOHRA. Will work to set up meeting in Republic prior to February. **Vote and motion carried unanimously.**
 - C. Negaunee ORV Trailhead – Thomas requested this to be on agenda. Carry forward to February meeting.
 - D. “Business” signage along trail – Fulsher noted that she was asked by several private businesses to add signage to trail. Some of trail on State land and there are State motorized standards we have to abide by. What do we do on our land? Fulsher would like a subcommittee to work on. Dean, Don and Kathy volunteered. Fulsher will try to get some guidelines from other areas.

VI. BOARD COMMENT –

Fulsher noted that 2016 audit start on January. Also she will be out of office Monday through Wednesday attending Michigan Trail Summit and Non-motorized Advisory Committee meetings.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT – Tony offered to help with orv signage and laminating.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT – Bussone motioned to adjourn meeting at 5:35 pm, Leach seconded. Vote and motion carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING DATE: MARCH 28, 2017, 4:30 pm COUNTRY INN AND SUITES