



GRANTS/FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday, June 24, 2022 8:30 A.M.
(meeting held at Park Office and via Zoom)

MEETING NOTES

Meeting called to order at 8:32am

Roll Call: Mike Selig, Dave Wehner, excused absence: Mark Robeson

Introductions:

Individuals present: Mike Selig, Dave Wehner, Anita Gantner,

Review of Previous Action steps:

- 1.) Provided summary from Meg Slifcak that she felt historical tax credits were going to be too difficult to obtain and she recommended that we not pursue them for the RHP.

Review of Earth Works grant proposal

Reviewed recent meeting with CESO engineering firm to discuss them providing engineering services for the bridge replacement and go over proposed budget. Next step is for Gary Gardner from Compass Infrastructure Group to arrange a site visit with Jeff Deluca to further discuss.

Reviewed grant sections and identified areas that still need to be completed. Overall, grant nearly completed with the exception of the price breakdown.

If unable to get firm numbers of cost estimates prior to grant being due (July 15th) may need to hold off on submitting until 2023.

Fundraising Brainstorming session

Discussed idea of further coordinating with Friends group regarding future fundraising efforts. Mike Selig to reach out to Cynthia McWilliams and Debbie Williams to get their feedback.

Discussed email from Shari Green. She brought up the good idea of including some links to our website for things like "Donate", "Volunteer", and "Membership" Email forwarded to Marketing team for further input.

Discussed the idea of revisiting all current MOU's as part of the strategic planning process so as to better coordinate the fundraising process with the goal of an overall park focus.

Grants calendar/Land and Water Conservation Fund

Revisited the idea the Land Water and Conservation Fund grant that is due on Nov 15th. Had previously thought of smaller projects like erosion control, buckthorn removal, and habitat restoration. Further review of the Land & Water Conservancy grant program indicates that it provides grants from \$50,000-\$500,000 so it would be better for larger projects. Potential projects that were proposed include:

- Restrooms
- Shelters
- Gathering/seating areas within the park
- Buckeye Trail – connecting trail
- Paths and signage
- pedestrian bridge at the Upper Lake
- an all-access trail in the park
- a new dock at the Boat House
- exterior lighting near The Lodge
- Repaving the parking areas in the park

Discussed that given the \$50,000 minimum grant allocation and 50% matching requirement feel that the connector path from Broadview Rd to the rest of the park would be the best fit as group felt that much of the labor involved in creating the trail could be used towards the matching requirement.

Actions steps for this grant will include:

- Reaching out to village of Richfield about cost of trail behind the library – Mike Selig
- Reaching out to Ohio Operating engineering group about potential volunteering their services for this project – Jeff Deluca
- Reviewing report from Andrea Ireland regarding front entrance improvements and whether this should be included in the grant as well. – reporting to occurring in July

Minutes

Old Business

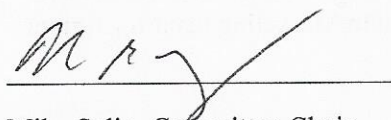
New Business

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Mike Selig, seconded by Dave Wehner. Meeting adjourned at 9:26am.

Submitted By:

Accepted By:



Date: 23 JAN 23



Date: 1.24.23

Mike Selig, Committee Chair

Dave Wehner, Committee Member