

Coldsprings Township Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes January 8, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the Coldsprings Township Park & Recreation Committee was held on Tuesday, January 8, 2013. Committee Members present: Brenda Lambert, Chuck Vernon, Lynnette Cervone, Marge Bagnell and Grant Writer: Pam Stuckman. Members of the public: 2: Wayne Jonker, Secretary Treasurer of the Manistee Lake Improvement Board and Dan Sharp, resident of Coldsprings Township.

Chairperson, Brenda Lambert, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Minutes from the December 4th meeting passed with a motion by Chuck, support by Marge and then unanimous approval by the committee. The agenda was also unanimously approved by the committee.

Review of Correspondence – Brenda received a letter informing the committee they were not a successful candidate for funding from Consumers Energy.

Old Business

Encroachment update – No new information had been received for the month of December.

Donation Post update – No donations were received for the month of December.

Reimbursement of 2011 Passport Grant Expenditures – The committee is still waiting to be reimbursed the remaining \$2,500 by the state.

2011 MNRTF Grant – Brenda met with Jeff Mapes, representative of Great Lakes Energy, at Sands Park to determine location and price of the light posts. It was decided that only one new light post will be required since there is a post at the park currently not being used. Great Lakes Energy can install a light on that post at no additional cost to the Township except the monthly power cost. The new post will be located between the new double restroom and the beach area. The estimated cost of the new light post (\$1,040) is slightly higher than the committee had anticipated; however the need for new posts decreased by one pole. Still pending from Great Lakes Energy is an estimate for the underground wiring to the pavilion. Brenda has also been in contact with Bill Crain finalizing the paperwork that will be submitted to the state for approval prior to bids being pursued for this grant.

Local businesses grants or sponsorship update – Pam submitted the **TransCanada** grant application on January 8, 2013. This grant request is for picnic tables for the pavilion. **Risk Reduction Grant Program** – This grant application has been submitted. The committee is now awaiting the results. **Great Lakes Energy Peoples Fund** – Pam continues to contact Great Lakes Energy requesting an application for this fund. To date she has not received anything. **SEEDS** – The committee will continue to work with Bill Watson to determine if there are any grants that SEEDS may be eligible for that could assist with the renovation at Sands Park. **Winters Parcel Acquisition** – The committee will do some additional research on the requirements for road improvements to determine if this acquisition is possible to pursue in the future.

New Business:

New grant applications – 2013 MNRTF Grant – There is no application online that has been issued by the state as of this meeting. The committee requested Pam pursue this grant for boat parking, playground, and possibly fencing, posts and steps. The **2013 MDNR Passport Grant** will be sought after for small tot lot playground equipment. **Playground Grant** – Miracle Recreation Equipment Company has a \$5,000 grant available with grant writers that assist clients with finding additional funding above their \$5,000 grant. The committee will gather additional information on this grant and discuss at the next meeting. **Prairie Farms/Shetlers** - Ice Cream Donations for grand opening – still pending.

Next Agenda – Continue to update agenda items through completion

- Encroachment update
- Donation Post update
- Reimbursement of the 2011 Passport Grant expenditures
- Progress on 2011 MNRTF Grant
- Local business grants or sponsorship update
 - TransCanada
 - Risk Reduction Grant Program
 - Great Lakes Energy Peoples Fund
 - SEEDS
- Winters Parcel Acquisition
- grant applications
 - 2013 MNRTF Grant
 - 2013 MDNR Passport Grant
 - Playground Grant
 - Prairie Farms/Shetlers/Northland/Glens/Save-a-Lot – Ice Cream Donations for grand opening
- New Business

Other Business – New Board Member – Wendy Corona has resigned as a Park & Recreation committee member. Coldsprings Township resident, Don Sharp has volunteered to become a committee member. Approval for the replacement of Wendy by Dan as a committee member was motioned by Chuck, supported by Lynnette and then unanimous approval by other committee members. This recommendation will be brought to the Township Board for final approval.

Public Comment – None

Meeting Adjourned: at 8:12 p.m.

Coldsprings Township Grant Applications

Matching Funds	Grant	Requested Amount	% Matching Funds	Match Amount	Status
MNRTF	Restroom, Picnic Shelter, Path, Water Pump	\$47,000	50%	\$44,000	Approved
MDNR	Playground equipment	\$25,000	25%	\$11,500	Approved
MDNR 2012 Passport	Playground equipment	\$25,000	40%	\$14,400	Denied
Total Grants requiring matching funds		\$107,000		\$79,900	
Future Grant applications					Due Date
Boundless Playgrounds	Tot Lot Equipment				No deadline
Miracle Play Equipment	Tot Lot Equipment		75% Discount		No deadline
Consumers Energy	Supplies and Volunteers				Denied
Laura Jane Musser Foundation	Planning of Volunteer Project Implementation	\$5,000			No deadline
		\$25,000			No deadline
Youth Venture	Getting Youth Involved in Volunteering	\$5,000			No deadline
Risk Reduction grant program	Security	\$5,000			Pending
TransCanada	Pathway	\$1,000			Approved
TransCanada	Picnic Tables	\$4,000			Pending
Great Lakes Energy Peoples Fund	Bike Racks				February 1 st , 2013
MDNR 2013 Passport	Tot Lot Boat parking, playground equipment, fencing, posts & steps				April 1, 2013
MNRTF 2013					April 1, 2013