

Friend of Grand Haven State Park

Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2015



**Meeting commenced: 6:35pm at the Loutit Library**

**President's Comments:**

Mike Mazurek requested a moment of silence in honor of the loss of our friend and Board Member Tom Eckels.

Mike welcomed new member John Smolenski to the group and welcomed back Becky, the current camp ground host.

**April meeting minutes were approved.**

**Financial Update:** Judi Mazurek

Current cash in the bank = \$509.46 plus \$105.00 in our PayPal account.

FGHSP took in \$30.00 in dues, \$13.40 in can returns and \$50.00 for wood and tubs since April, 2015.

FGHSP spent \$15,162 for the ADA walkway project, \$735.00 for 6 pallets of wood and \$135.92 for tubs since April 2015

**Beach Fit Presenters: Bonnie and Brenda:**

The vending services contract for Beach Fit was reviewed. Minor changes to two sections were addressed and the new contract was distributed. Outstanding issues that need to be resolved are the handling of sales tax for FGSH t-shirts (if necessary) and the availability of and access to storage for Beach Fit shovels and FGSH t-shirts. Brenda B will visit the park this coming week to review options.

The group discussed the pricing structure for Boot Camp classes. It was decided that Beach Fit would monitor participation and adjust pricing as needed.

**Kite Festival Final Preparations:**

Magnum Coffee visited the Park/Pavilion and is set to serve hot beverages, water and snacks.

The FGSHSP table still needs volunteers to work on Sunday 5/17 from 12:00pm to 2:00pm and from 4:00pm to 5:30pm.

**ADA Walkway Update:**

Joyce Rhodes communicated that we are waiting on the PO from Lansing. Once we have an idea of timing, we need to coordinate volunteers to install. The State Park will provide one tractor for moving sections into place.

**Vending Contracts Signed: Mike Mazurek**

Pepsi: \$3,000 signing bonus and 45% commission

AD Bos: 15% commission

**Wood:**

The first load of wood was delivered Friday May 8<sup>th</sup> (6 pallets). Thank you Bob Moore for stocking the wood shed and covering the pallets with a tarp!

**Summit Event:**

The annual Friends Group Summit was attended by Dan, Jayne, Joyce, Judi and Mike.

A lot of good information was gathered with regard to membership drives. It was communicated that in order to be sustainable, a friends group should have 50 members.

**FGHSP Website**

Becky Newman volunteered to manage the website provided that a template based web design site was secured and initially configured. Mike Weaver volunteered his help and recommended Network Solutions. Other possible web design sites were mentioned. Becky will review and select an option that meets the groups' needs.

**Collection Bins:**

Several options for 6 returnable containers were reviewed. The main criteria are:

- 1) Large enough capacity
- 2) Lockable lid
- 3) Able to secure to a post

The group favored the 55 gallon drum and Dan Ruiter will investigate and purchase.

**Other items:**

John Smolenski inquired about the lending library at the camp ground and offered to provide books from the Loutit Library book store. John said he would check in with the camp ground hosts next time he is in the park.

John also asked Joyce about plowing sand into the area of the State Park beach where it meets the pier so that a walkway was maintained. Joyce said she would look into it.

Becky handed out the 2015 FGHP brochure.

**Next Meeting: June 8, 2015 at 6:30pm at Loutit Library**

**Becky Newman will send minutes to board members for approval before posting on the website.**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm**