

Friend of Grand Haven State Park  
Meeting Minutes  
January 11, 2021



**Meeting commenced: 3:30pm on Zoom**

**President's Comments: Mike Mazurek**

Our prayers are with board members Karen and Sallie.

**November meeting minutes were approved.**

**Treasurers Report: Judi Mazurek**

There were deposits since November of \$490.07. This was our last check from 2020 Coke sales.

There were expenses since November of \$188.05. We paid Bryan Cryst the annual fee of \$180.00 for web hosting and sent t-shirts via USPS.

Current cash in the checking account = \$20,759.86. We have \$5.00 in savings.

Interest YTD on our \$25,000 in CD's = \$436.50

**Update from Andy Lundborg:**

- 1) Andy will acquire the 2 WHIP numbers needed for our matching funds projects.
- 2) Two full time rangers resigned: Matt Hatch took a position with the State Agriculture Department and Dylan Conway is pursuing an opportunity in law enforcement. Andy's winter priority will be hiring staff.
- 3) Grand Haven and Holland State Parks are working on water safety initiatives. One possibility is the acquisition of a remote controlled rescue vehicle like the one in use at Marquette.
- 4) One of the two AED Defibrillators is outdated and needs to be replaced. Michigan's DNR has declined to fund the replacement which is estimated at \$1200.00 to \$1500.00.
- 5) Camp site reservations are already full. There seems to be more frustration with the reservation system communicated this year.
- 6) Grand Haven State Park is planning on the regular campground opening date of May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.
- 7) The Pavilion renovation is making good progress now and is on track for completion prior to the Memorial Day weekend.
- 8) One of the channel bathroom windows was broken and a Coke machine overturned by vandals shortly before Christmas, 2020. The Grand Haven Police Department has not identified the vandals.

**New Business:**

**Action Track Wheelchair: Mike Mazurek**

A private foundation has contacted the Grand Haven State Park and the Friends Group to donate the funds to acquire an Action Track Wheelchair. Although not finalized, it appears likely that this foundation will gift \$15,000 to FGHSP for that purpose. The total cost of the wheelchair is estimated at \$16,000 - \$16,500. The FGHSP have elected to contribute the \$1,000 - \$1,500 difference.

**New Projects Status Update:**

ESTIMATED COSTS OF PROJECTS:

MATCHING FUNDS:

APPLICATION 1:

FOUR ADA PICNIC TABLES	\$ 9,693.00
CEMENT PADS	<u>\$ 6,700.00</u>
EST TOTAL	\$ 16,393.00

APPLICATION 2:

TWO CEMENT PADS FOR BENCHES-EAST SIDE OF SHOWERS	\$ 648.00
CEMENT PAD AROUND EXISTING CEMENT BENCHES-WEST SIDE OF SHOWERS	\$ 1,296.00
TWO CEMENT PADS FOR SWAY BENCHES	<u>\$ 3,464.00</u>
EST TOTAL	\$ 5,408.00

MATCHING FUNDS EST \$ 21,801.00

FGHSP SHARE 50% \$ 10,900.50

FGHSP EST SHARE OF ACTION TRACK CHAIR \$ 1,100.00

TOTAL EST COST OF PROJECTS FOR FGHSP \$ 12,000.50

To submit the applications, we need the two WHIP numbers, the site plan, and the location map from Andy Lundborg. Given the current state of staffing at the Park and possible Covid-19 work restrictions, the FGHSP may need to investigate hiring third party contractors or using volunteers for installation.

It was motioned, seconded, and passed that the FGHSP will earmark \$14,000 for the above listed 2021 projects acquisition and installation.

**AED Defibrillator:**

It was motioned, seconded, and passed that the FGHSP will earmark \$2,000 for a new AED Defibrillator for the Grand Haven State Park. The FGHSP will purchase the unit and gift it to the Park.

### **West Michigan Beach Volleyball: Pete Goers**

Pete inquired about the scheduling of events in 2021 and volunteered his organization to help install the volleyball standards at the Park. Andy Lundborg responded that he is waiting to hear from the State of Michigan regarding Covid-19 restrictions. He also cited staffing concerns at Grand Haven State Park and that the Park is still under spending restrictions. Andy communicated that the operating system at the Park will be like 2020 but with a normal starting time.

Judi Mazurek noted that Soccer in the Sand has already posted their event dates at the Park for 2021. Andy says that is not approved yet. It was recommended that WMBV publish their dates for tournaments and clinics and cancel if necessary.

### **CD Renewal:**

The group elected to renew our CD's for one year. It is anticipated that our current savings and expected 2021 revenue will cover all operating expenses as well as project and program commitments.

### **Proposed 2021 Budget: Mike Mazurek**

The group reviewed the budget prepared by Mike and noted a few changes that are likely to impact it.

- 1) There may be more camp hosts in 2021 vs 2020, hence more gift cards purchased.
- 2) We may be able to sponsor 3 volleyball clinics incurring an additional \$2400 expense versus 2020.
- 3) We are waiting for the new proposal from Coke.

With more information expected in the next month, we will revisit the 2021 budget at the February meeting.

Andy did confirm that the Pavilion will be able to house 3 Coke machines and 2 AD Bos machines, but we need an update on the layout and electrical outlets.

**Next Meeting** February 8, 2021 at 3:30pm. Location: Zoom meeting. Becky Newman will send the invite.

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

**Meeting adjourned at 4:28pm.**