

8/1/17 Grant committee minutes

The meeting was called to order at 2:08 p.m. with Darla Rippee, Wanda Freeman, Chris French, Heidi Pitt and Doris French present.

A motion to approve the agenda with 3 additions was made by Darla and seconded by Wanda. Motion passed.

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Heidi and seconded by Chris. Motion passed.

Cemetery markers – there was much discussion about what kind of markers to get and whether to get just the missing ones or all new markers. We will reconvene at the cemetery at 9 tomorrow to see what markers can be found.

Trail – we discussed the trail base which would have to be more than 6 ft. wide if the trail was to have a 6 ft. wide walking surface. Heidi had talked with a professional who said the cost for all but the asphalt would be \$40,000. With volunteer help and completion made in sections, the cost would be considerably lower.

Library – this item is tabled till the March meeting. Darla will look on line for grant information on them.

Gazebo – depending on the purchase of more property, another gazebo could be built behind the ball diamonds with access from that property.

Exterior LED lighting – there is money available through rebates from the Michigan energy office to replace existing lights with LED lights at the park. Heidi replaced one light already at a cost of \$17.99. She said there are 9-10 more. Daryl gave us information on the rebate and Chris will research it with help from Heidi to fill in the application. Doris will then type and submit it.

Tire drive – tabled till spring.

A motion to adjourn was made by Wanda and seconded by Chris. Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris French  
Secretary

At the cemetery we discovered some numbers, but most were not able to be found or uncovered. Instead of trying to determine where the present markers were, we recommend renumbering the whole cemetery with the marker placed at the northeast corner of each plot. Metal markers would be best because they could be found under the soil years later. We will present this information to the board at their next meeting.