

MINUTES OF FRIENDS OF THE PARKS

OCTOBER 30, 2012

Members present: Peggy Warlick, Carol Ladd, Jeff Parsons, Grace Borgfjord, Lee Larson and Carol VanAntwerp

The meeting was called to order at 4:15pm.

The minutes of September 18, 2012 were approved with the addition of the phrase "a \$50 monthly fee".

Treasurer's Report: Carol Ladd distributed third quarter statements for the FOP and the Sunburst Run.

Pergola planting: The wisteria are thriving and still attached to the pergola and supported by bamboo sticks. Peggy was reimbursed for the cost of the planting materials by the Treasurer.

Signage: The State of Michigan sign has been erected and is located near the playground. New signs on the path to the library and near the benches have not been installed.

Grange Project: Larry Harris is responsible for the landscape design. \$11,000 has been donated for this project. Four contractors were invited to submit bids. Only one bid was received. The \$35,000 submission was not accepted. At present, the project is on hold until spring 2013, when new bids will be sought.

Decals of FOP logo/website: FOP members viewed proposed mock-up, not finalized, for the stencil. A discussion ensued about colors and application to park trash cans when ready. Jeff moved that we allot \$80 for the decals/stencils. Lee seconded the motion which passed. Grace will review the final copy and email FOP members.

FOP Volunteer Hours: Members are asked to email Grace, ASAP, with the number of hours they have contributed this year to FOP meetings and activities. This is a requirement of the State of Michigan.

Bench Update: Jeff is awaiting feedback from Libby re: plaques that need to be ordered yet.

Website Proposals: Members reviewed the three proposals formerly submitted and available for reading from Grace's emails prior to this meeting. Members narrowed the field to SLF. Peggy and Carol VanAntwerp offered to contact businesses that have hired SLF as their web designers. (SEE EMAILS FROM CAROL AND PEGGY MAILED 10/31/12). SLF will be invited to the next meeting. A \$1,000 budget and a one year contract are proposed.

Members reviewed bullet points of activities of the committee for a year end wrap up report.

Next meeting is November 13, 2012 at 4pm. Topics will include selecting a slate of officers and determining a budget for 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Carol VanAntwerp, Secretary