Minutes for 1000 Islands Environmental Center Committee Meeting on Thursday, May 19, 2022

Members Present: Gertz, Hietpas, Manion, Pautz, Van Berkel and White

Not Present: Breitzman, Carlson, Eggleston, and Jakel

Also Present: Debra Nowak and Maureen Feldt

Chair, Manion called the March Committee Meeting to order at 6:33 PM. A guorum is present.

April 21, 2022 Committee Meeting Minutes

Gertz made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes and approve the April 21, 2022 Committee Meeting minutes. Seconded by Van Berkel. Motion carried.

Public Appearances: None

April Financial Report

Pautz made a motion to approve April's Financial report. Seconded by Van Berkel. Motion carried.

Correspondence

We received a memorial donation from the Zwicker family in memory of Thomas Zwicker.

Friends of 1000 Islands Report

The Art Fair was on Sunday. It was a beautiful day and everything went well. Final numbers will be available shortly. May's Committee meeting was canceled due to Art Fair being the day prior.

Naturalist's Report

Eagle Nest monitoring continues but at this time 17 of the 25 area nests have failed. Unfortunately, no testing has been done to determine the reason. Speculation is that the Avian flu could be the cause. The nest in the Conservancy Zone has one eaglet.

Gertz made a motion to accept April's Naturalist Report and place it on file. Seconded by White. Motion carried

Admin and Finance Sub-Committee

Van Berkel – Did not meet-nothing to report.

Education Sub-Committee

Pautz – Did not meet-nothing to report.

Buildings and Grounds Sub-Committee

Hietpas – Did not meet-nothing to report.

Old Business

Steps to the Upper Woods: A bid has been accepted and work should be completed by September.

New Business

Renaming 1000 Islands after Bill Rogers. Discussion on the renaming proposal and the Committee felt that although Bill was instrumental in getting 1000 Islands up and running, there were many others that equally helped as well. Pautz made a motion to reject renaming 1000 Islands after Bill Rogers. Seconded by Gertz. Motion Carried.

Good for the Center

The main furnace & air conditioner for the building is having major issues and needs to be replaced. Bassett Mechanical will give us an estimate for a replacement and we will look at other local heating and cooling contractors to look at our situation and provide an estimate.

Received compliments on the repaired boardwalk that Rock the Block volunteers completed last week.

Next Committee Meeting

Next Committee Meeting will be on Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 6:30 PM.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Gertz moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 PM. Seconded by Hietpas. Motion carried.

Maureen Feldt, Acting Secretary