



ACME TOWNSHIP
SHORELINE PARK AND PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Wednesday, February 22, 2006, 6:00 p.m.
Acme Township Hall
6042 Acme Road, Williamsburg MI 49690

Meeting called to Order at 6:08 p.m.

Members present: P. Salathiel, P Brink (Co-Chairs) F. Gingras, K. Guy, D. Krause,
O. Sherberneau
Members excused: C. Abernethy
Members absent: N. Knopf
Staff present: S. Corpe, Township Manager, N. Edwardson, Recording Secretary

A. Correspondence: None

B. Reports: None

C. Limited Public Comment: Kurtz is very appreciative of all the work this committee has done. He thanked them for their continuing hard work.

D. New Business

Motion made by Gingras. Seconded by Salathiel to approve the October 12, 2005, December 12, 2005, and January 30, 2006, meeting minutes as presented, Motion carried unanimously.

Krause gave a report from the study group on short-term options for accepting donations. They had a meeting with local realtor, Jack Lane, who they quizzed on options. Generally refundable up to 60 days. Additional 15% up to 2 years not refundable. Lane suggested getting all three property owners together to discuss possibly purchasing at one time. Lane offered to work with the committee and would give back 50% of his commission to the committee.

The group made a list of funding possibilities. From that list they broke out three sources that would be immediate funding; private, township and the Tribe.

Krause met with Bob Garvey who gave a \$1000.00 donation. Brink had \$500.00 from Concerned Citizens for Acme. The township Treasurer has set up a special fund for these donations. Checks are to be written to Shoreline Preservation Fund.

Krause passed around a sample brochure asking for donations. He would like to see one such as the sample drawn up. Brochures would be sent under a cover letter. Krause still would like to see a possible millage to fund the purchase of properties.

Krause will be giving monthly updates to the Board on this committee.

Salathiel would like to work with the Conservancy. A meeting with Des Worthington from the Conservancy would be good. Salathiel would like to keep Matt McDonough from the Conservancy informed on what is happening with this committee. Matt works with the property owners.

Guy discussed plans for a Spring Strategic Planning Meeting. It would be held on Friday, May 19, 2006, at the Northwestern Michigan College. The meeting would be from 8:30 to 4:00. It will be a fast moving day. A list of participants was handed out. We are looking at 30-40 people in attendance.

Motion by Sherberneau. Seconded by Gingras to approve scheduling of the May 19, 2006, Strategic Planning Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Salathiel reported that it was not a appropriate time to approach the Board for operating expenses. Brink asked Kurtz what the state of the township is? Kurtz said there is discipline spending. There are other things in the works. The New Urbanism Advisory committee will be coming to the Board in March.

Gingras asked if we could approach the State of Michigan about acquiring the property by Srdjak's and the other side of East Bay Harbor Marine. Sherberneau has talked to Dave Langhorst of MODT. There is "enhancement money" for such projects. Krause and Gingras will set up a meeting with Dave in the near future. Gingras also suggested asking the Tribe to donate the property on Dock Road by Christ the King Church for a park.

Guy will draft a letter about the Spring Strategic Planning Meeting in May. Kurtz will sign Letter when completed.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 5, 2006, at 4:30 p.m.

Adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

