GPNA Board Meeting Agenda – December 10, 2015 6:00 pm

* Call to Order
* Roll Call/Introductions
  + Board members
    - Brian Swem
    - Angelique DuPhene
    - Mark Moerdyk
    - Daniel Vandermolen
    - Ashleigh Draft
    - Matthew Draft
    - Chris Snyder
    - Jane Konyndyk
  + Staff
    - Fran Dalton
    - Esther Reyes
  + Guests
    - Chase Stanck
    - Eugene Sueing
    - Ross Ekdom
    - Karie
    - Christopher
* Approval of last month minutes
* Guest Presentations
  + Parks and Recreation Presentation
    - Local Park Renovations
    - Final concept for Dickenson park
    - Millage passed in late 2013, 28 million dollars over 7 years
    - 74 parks in Grand Rapids
    - Bidding in 2016, construction should start in July and end sometime in September
    - Proposed changes:
      * Lighting and security
      * Picnic shelter with power
      * Playground equipment improvement
      * Improving west Paris entry (additional signage & landscaping),
      * Improving Willard entry (stair removal?)
      * Improving Union entry
      * Drinking fountain addition (potential issues with cost re-connecting water)
      * Bike racks & bench seating
    - Once a contractor is on board with a schedule, a media release will be provided to Fran along with other details. Fran to report back to board.
  + YMCA “Activate” Presentation
    - Building community partnerships
    - Veggie Van
      * Healthy corner store initiative
        + Working to partner with convenience stores
        + Currently 3 up and running
      * Purchasing coolers for store owners to stock fresh produce
      * Currently looking for 5 new sites
      * Van visits events
      * Van invited to sites
      * All raw fruits and vegetables purchased from local producers
      * Need to book at least a month out
      * 1 veggie van in GR, 1 in Muskeegon
      * Would like to work with Urban farmers
      * Add blurb to January newsletter regarding nominations
    - Reach Grant
      * Health Department through CDC
      * Helped with Family Fiesta in Roosevelt park
      * Helped put on a 5k
      * Free fitness classes (Zumba, Yoga, Kickboxing)
        + Burton Middle School
        + Buchanan Middle School
        + Possibly Dickenson in future
      * Free cooking classes
      * Diabetes Prevention program
    - Help GPNA with our Trail 5K or Party in the Park potentially
* Staff Update
  + Issues with regard to biased sensitivity training for GRPD
    - Why look at bias proficiency and reduction with GRPD and not the city as a whole?
    - Fran is urging GPNA board to advocate for something more usable
    - Does the board need sensitivity training?
    - Systemic issue, not just the GRPD
  + Community Garden
    - Phil Wheeler has hospice care now
      * Was in charge of soil quality & water
      * If we lose access to Phil’s water source, it may cost a couple thousand of dollars to regain water access.
    - Leslie Konyndyk to put together consultation contract for 2016 growing year
  + Community Service
    - It’s been 3 years since we’ve had this resource
    - Social worker referred a past worker to our neighborhood
    - Are there any regulations to have the worker complete community service for GPNA?
    - Utilize worker to flyer, pick up litter in the community etc?
    - Worker has 400 hours of community service he has to complete.
    - Esther to supervise
* New Business
  + Annual Meeting
    - May 10th, 2016 at the Kroc Center
    - Brian to confirm
    - Brian to verify Fran & Esther can attend
  + NationBuilder/Web Site Progress
    - 2016 Rebranding
    - Web site being taken over by Angelique
    - NationBuilder template to be used
      * Utilize NationBuilder tools
      * Easy for everyone to update
      * Content from the last three newsletters to be included
  + Party in the Park 2016 Planning
    - Last Saturday in July or first Saturday in August, 2016 (verify date)
    - Work on rebranding for 2016
    - Need to set up committees
      * Matt & Dan to create the committees
      * Entertainment
        + Contact Chase to help with this committee
      * Funding
      * Food
      * Logistics
      * Outreach/Marketing
      * Crafts
        + 25 vendors
        + Reach out to vendors now
        + Build revenue back in
    - Move to Gym for use of parking lot
    - Disk golf launch to correspond with Party in the Park?
  + Professional Association Resources Update
    - Need a list of committees
      * Currently no functioning committees
    - Waiting to hear back, Ashleigh will provide update when available
    - Include
  + Small Business Crime Prevention outreach brochure
    - Translation
      * A few changes were made in the translation to make it more coherent in Spanish
    - Board to provide these hand-outs as value-added pieces when we ask businesses to support us for events etc.
    - Fran & Esther to create double sided comments
* Committee Reports
  + Finance
    - NationBuilder Payment
      * Verify which level we will proceed with
      * $29/month
      * NationBuilder already tracking donations
  + Communications
    - Newsletter Update
      * Ashleigh to provide final content by December 18th
      * Ashleigh to provide printer contact to Angelique
      * Angelique to format & send to print
* Public Comments
  + Ross interested in joining the board, wants to know what happens with Dickenson Park
* Adjournment