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REGIONAL SUMMIT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Friday, November 6, 2015
9:00 a.m.

Manistee County Courthouse & Government Center
Board of Commissioners Meeting Room

MINUTES

Members Present: Brook Shafer, Chairperson; Karen Goodman

Members Absent: Mark Bergstrom

Others Present: Lisa Sagala, Personnel Officer/Administrative Assistant; Julie Schmeling, Administrative Secretary; Lindsey Marquardt, Chief Deputy County Clerk

The meeting was called to Order at 9:05 a.m.

NOTE – Items requiring Board Action are indicated in BOLD

REVIEW OF EVALUATION FORM COMMENTS FROM 12TH REGIONAL SUMMIT

Discussion regarding the Evaluation Form comments from the 12th Regional Summit. (APPENDIX A) The overall consensus was that the attendees enjoyed the diversity of speakers, the food was good and the Community Center worked great. One constant complaint was that the room was too cold.

The Committee would like to move the Summit around the County if at all possible. Other sites were discussed for next year's Summit. The Committee agreed that Zupin Catering did a great job and will look into having them cater again next year. September 15, 2016 has been set as the date for the next Regional Summit with the location to be determined at a later meeting.

DISCUSSION REGARDING EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION LUNCHEON

The Employee Recognition Luncheon will be on December 15, 2015 after the County Board meeting. Funds of \$700 have been budgeted for the Luncheon. Karen Goodman suggested changing from a pizza luncheon to a catered light lunch, with Zupin Catering preparing the food.

There was discussion of inviting the News Advocate to the Luncheon to highlight those employees with long term careers with the County.

Lunch break will need to be extended on December 15th by half an hour for the Luncheon.

Moved by Shafer, seconded by Goodman to recommend \$800 be used to cover the cost of the Employee Recognition Luncheon and to provide the employees with an additional half hour lunch.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting has been scheduled for December 4, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

OTHER ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Shafer indicated that he thought this year's Regional Summit went very well and that they hope to do even better next year.

The meeting was adjourned at the Call of the Chair at 9:35 a.m.

Brook Shafer

Karen Goodman

Mark Bergstrom

APPENDIX A

Regional Summit 2015

What did you like?

- Cookies were awesome
- Nice variety of speakers, please include a different manufacturer every year!
- I also liked how you "jumped" the agenda to keep things moving and to get out early.
- I think the time networking is always very helpful.
- Loved Mark Fedder's presentation.
- Mark Fedder, PCA guy
- Lunch
- (All) PCA Presentation & Mark Fedder
- Good topics! Good Food! Good Venue!
- Informative
- Nice facility, nice lunch, great speakers
- Variety of speakers
- All
- Everything
- Food was great!! PCA Presentation, Mark Fedder
- Varying lengths of presentations
- Mark Fedder's presentation
- Very educational. Great speakers, lunch & informative
- I enjoyed the speakers – especially Mark Fedder
- All Good
- The facility is very nice with natural light and accessibility
- Speakers and topics were relevant
- All speakers who had examples.
- Educational presentations by businesses and other relevant organizations.
- Enjoyed the diversity of presentations.
- Norman Township Hall – Nice facility for this event
- Speakers spoke clearly
- The entire Summit was enjoyable and informational
- Location was great! Good climate there...food for group & service good. Good organization
- Very nice Summit, nice table set up too! Speakers were very good.
- Update on Manistee County
- Economic impact of the Manistee River
- Healthy Manistee County
- History of Manistee County
- Very informative, good lunch, great speakers
- Good diversity of subjects
- Well prepared presentations
- Chance to see our County Commissioners
- I enjoyed the venue here very much

- Excellent speakers
- Very good lunch
- The concentration on collaboration
- Presentations, especially by business leaders & Mark Fedder.
- The location was great.
- The presenters "great job"
- Caterer
- Everything
- Good mix of what is available to Manistee County
- Lunch was good, nice facility – well organized, staff did a great job
- History of Manistee
- Learning about PCA & People of Manistee County and Meijer facts
- It was a nice group
- The speakers were excellent. Very informative and could hear them all well. Liked Norman Township Hall – no nice! Moved the program right along.
- All the Info. Great choices of presenters!!
- Variety of topics
- Breaks for networking
- Meeting space – bright, clean, lots of windows
- Museum presentation
- Hearing from PCA & Meijer, info on the jobs for the area, the things that make Manistee stand out from other areas. The interacting from business with the smaller areas or communities. Manistee Historical Museum presentation
- Manistee County update – relationship of budget, strategic plan, county & local government programs.
- Great facility, snack, coffee and very good information

What didn't you like?

- Too cold
- All presentations were good.
- Discussing being overweight & obesity after lunch
- A lot of the speakers were geared to speak on Manistee and about Manistee – There are 14 Townships and more should be focused on outlying townships.
- It was too chilly!
- I wish we could have had an opportunity to talk more to each other in a more organized fashion to identify issues and seek solutions through collaboration.
- All good
- 1st part – too many speakers w/no substance
- Nothing
- Seats were hard "☺"Nothing – great crowd, great location, great luncheon
- Nothing

- Little cool
- Building was a little cold.
- I wish it started at 9 and ended at 2:30
- Some were a little long windy
- Too cold in here – could have been a little warmer
- Can't think of one thing ☺ It was all good.
- The length of monotone speakers with no information of importance and positive outlook or input from community future growths or businesses
- Start time is a little early only because I have kids in school

What would you like to see next year?

- I would like to hear about individual communities – what's going on – anything new?
- Same format
- Published list of attendees?
- More history information from Mark Fedder
- More of the same
- More history
- Jail updates/issues to inform community
- Child Advocacy Center – Director Traci Smith
- 911 Information – Sheriff Department – Recycling.
- Introduce and allow County Treasurer, County Clerk, EQ Director, etc. to give an overview of their job
- Continue as you have
- More history
- Recycling & greener practices (yes – this is Sarah's evaluation ☺)
- Hemp growing in Manistee County
- Community Gardens
- Computer help for seniors
- Recreation Plan presentations; historical museums in Manistee County; status of education and what the kids are doing after high school graduation; trends in Manistee Co. demographics
- Some info from Governor's office
- More speakers with examples
- Would it make sense to have more of an opportunity to have a chance for attendees to break in to small groups for facilitated dialogue in Manistee issues.
- Zupin Catering – maybe a chicken/pork dinner!
- Maybe adjust time frames
- Bring Mark back as the closing act! Loved his presentation.
- More input on what to do in the future.
- Continued variety of subjects
- One industry presentation at least at every Summit meeting.

- More of the same – this was the best Summit I have attended.
- Similar program
- Chicken dinner
- Yes
- Representatives of any large, new presence in the community
- Manistee History Part III
- Rep from State (Franz, or rep from Lansing)
- Vegetarian food option
- Surprise me ☺
- Caterer was excellent! Get Jerry again!
- I wanna be suprized
- Have another presentation from the museum and their people of the County.
- How are the businesses, small and large doing in the community. What prospects coming in the future. How did charities do. More info on what areas have to offer. And more info on how money is to be spent for tax funded programs. Museum presentation more informative.
- County Rec Plan presentation
- Manistee County update
- Presentation by Convention and Visitors Bureau: nature & demographics of Manistee area tourism
- 8:30 start time

What could we do better?

- Keep it up – this was my 3rd one and they have all been good.
- I thought everything was great!
- Softer chairs!!!
- Lisa & Julie offer should rubs...LOL
- Enjoy it the way it is.
- Fine job
- Begin a little later than 7:30 (maybe 8:30) (or 8:00)
- Keep Looking!!
- Recycling & greener practices (yes – this is Sarah's evaluation ☺)
- Keep up the good work – my fourth Summit & they continue to be helpful & enjoyable. Thank you! ☺
- Ability to constructively talk to each other.
- A little more networking with participants. Sometimes this is the only venue we have to connect.
- Give us something to carry out our handouts in! Great day! Thanx
- I really liked the Manistee history – very cool! I am willing to help with planning for next year's Summit: Jennifer Berkey
- Have a rep from the DNR or Game Warden
- Did great – Especially Julie & Lisa!
- Get more input for the future

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- Keep up the good work
- You did a great job! Do not change
- Excellent as is!
- Nothing
- Technology
- Nothing
- I don't know of anything. Great job!
- Thank you so much
- Present material in more informative and shorter presentations
- Better outreach when determining Summit topics
- Not much in my opinion
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