Dundee Mill and Park Partners MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, November 12, 2025

Meeting called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Pat Brown, President

Directors Present: Mo Beck, Larry Brown, Deb Flitter, Sue Hafermann, Tom Hinchliff, Rachel Koepke, Troy Kruzick, Lenny Riemersma, and Karen Wenger

Minutes from October 15, 2025, were read. Motion made by Sue to approve minutes; seconded by Deb.

Treasurer's Report: October 31, 2025: Checking BOH- \$27,758.22 Money Market BOH - \$26,265.98

Old Business

- Oktoberfest Final Recap: Overall revenue from event increased by approximately \$1200. Bill for pretzels remains outstanding. Donation box proceeds to be counted yet. Suggestion made to compensate volunteers with concession items, as our group size is limited and their contribution is much appreciated. Donation to Dundee Sportsmen Club was made. Suggestion made to sell Oktoberfest merch at upcoming Love Lites event. More posts are needed for large banners. Consensus for a different band next year. Will see if the Squeezettes are available, or another band if anyone has suggestions; regardless, will need to secure this soon. Sponsor and event pictures have been uploaded to the website. Event date for next year is October 3, 2026.
- 2. Garden Shed: Drexel check will be voided and rewritten in 2026 when work starts on project (end of year bookkeeping). Pat met with the new Campbellsport teacher. Pat requested the students involved with the project be given a tour in an effort to better understand the nature of the project.
- 3. Outcropping: Work has been completed.
- 4. Progress of Water Trough Repair: Nothing at this time.
- 5. Love Lites: Andrew, along with his son, from Camp Vista are willing to provide the trolley provided there is no inclement weather. Trolley will bring M/M Claus to the venue at 1:30 and provide rides until 3 p.m., when the Clauses time concludes. Payment for the Clauses appearance will include a tip of \$50. Trinity Lutheran Adult Choir will provide carols from 3 to 4, with the lighting of the tree at 4 p.m. Refreshments (hot chocolate, hot cider, and cookies) will again be provided. Mill Park merchandise will be offered, including pint glasses made up, to include a drink chip from local taverns, that can be utilized as white elephant holiday gifts for \$10. Sue offered to make a poster for our website; Tom will upload it to the Mill website. Event will also be posted on our Facebook page. Sue and Mark will restring lights on outdoor evergreen. Love Lite ornaments to be sold by directors (\$3 for individual/\$5 group) were provided.
- 6. Engraved Brick Fund Raiser: Tabled until completion of Town of Osceola's required 500 Year Study on the dam. Without knowing exactly what improvements may need to be made, concern was raised about the area selected and the possibility of that area being compromised by possible improvements.

- 7. Progress on Mill Lighting by Bill's Electrical Contracting LLC: Breakers are labeled, and extra lighting has been installed. Materials amounted to \$532.55 and labor was donated.
- 8. Mill Safety Items: Not yet delivered and will wait until spring.
- 9. Enlargement of Donation Sign: Deferred until spring.
- 10. Repainting of Signage: Troy repainted the sign on Hwy F.

Unfinished Business (following items are deferred at the present time)

- 1. Wood Fencing: Deferred until spring.
- 2. Easter Egg Hunt: Deferred until spring. Easter is APRIL 5, 2026.
- 3. Bemis Voucher Spring Fundraiser: Deferred until spring.
- 4. Mill Tours: Resume in spring 2026. Discussed ways to get more people for tours; inviting schools was suggested.
- 5. Weed Trimmer: Larry offered to continue in 2026. There is a possibility "Tim," who has expressed interest in the past, may be of age this coming year.
- 6. Dead Ford Tree: Family member Tami will reach out to us about when, what and where to plant when they are ready to replace the tree. Tami mistakenly thought that the Mill Park provides trees; we do not.
- 7. Jay Kueper History Info: Jay has old pictures of the mill and a safe to be donated. Where to place the safe will be discussed following tonight's meeting.
- 8. Future Events at Mill: Discussion for "Jam at the Dam" included selecting an optimal weekday, possible musicians (open jam?), and the possibility of having food trucks or civic groups provide concessions, with the Mill receiving a percentage of sales. Attendees would be encouraged to bring their lawn chairs. "Thrill at the Mill" (Halloween) could be a trunk & treat format. Tractor show-Deb will reach out to Dave Thompson and see if his club would be interested.

New Business

- 1. This coming Monday, (11/17/25) crew to assess concrete work for arch repair. Sandbags will be needed to keep water away from column.
- 2. New metal handrail, versus the current wooden one, be installed for safety purposes when going to the lower level from inside the mill.
- 3. Cash Boxes for Events: Facebook Marketplace occasionally has listing and will watch there for some. Jay Miller, town board member, has donated one.
- 4. Request for field Stone for Hwy F flowerbed. Karen indicated that flowerbed needs to be redone. Current stones are getting buried. If any members have some available, or have a lead, to please let her know.

Next monthly meeting **December 6, 2025, at noon,** at the Mill prior to Love Lite event.

Motion made by Larry, seconded by Lenny, to adjourn meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Wenger, Secretary