

GBNT Board of Directors General Open Session
October 27, 2018

Meeting called to order at 10:15 am

Roll call: Donal Barnes, Bill Ritchie, Rita Tuck, Mike Hill, Peggy Fitzwater, Don Abeles, Steven Thaete

Absent: Ken Pratt, MeriJo Leach

Excused: Bob Rowe

MSA to accept the September 2018 Open Session minutes

MSA to accept the October 2018 Open Session agenda with corrections

President: No report

Vice President: No report

Secretary: No report

Treasurer: For the month of September 2018 our total operating income was \$176,898 and our total expenses were \$147,288 with a net profit of \$29,610.

Motion to accept the 2019 budget -- approved

Park manager: The park is looking good, a lot of cleanup is happening including potholes being fixed. The electrical project is now on Maple heading to Simpson & Burlington. The building outside the kitchen is being worked on, lots of trees were taken out in the last few weeks. Steven talked with a local arborist, due to the drought in the past 2 years cedars are dying, then hemlocks. This is the last weekend for the Youth Center and Burger Shack to be opened until next spring. Members should be prepared for a wet and rainy season and tarp up trailers as needed.

Committees:

Administration: The insurance company and lawyer were contacted regarding the park's liability with regard to children riding battery powered ride-on toys on park roads. Statement from HUB Insurance "It is unacceptable from an underwriting standpoint, and that the GBNT Board properly identified the risk and exposures and should stand by their decision as the prudent thing to do on behalf of the association." The lawyer said that if a valid safety concern was made, then effectively the park has been put on notice. If an incident of harm ever occurred and a lawsuit evolved, it would be difficult for GBNT to ever financially recover as the BOD received a concern in a public meeting.

Facilities: Bart Kus from New Iron Goat Communications made a presentation on bringing broadcast high speed internet into the park from Haystack Mountain. He would offer wi-fi throughout the park and allow users to register multiple devices that could access the network. This would allow users to stream tv, 4k movies and conduct video conferences. Cables will connect the access points using either existing conduit or aerial cabling in trees. There would be at least 100 access points throughout the park providing redundancy in the system. Separate networks could be configured for security cameras, finances, and general internet access.

Members could subscribe, if they desire, for monthly (\$40) or for occasional daily use(\$5/day). There is no minimum number of members required to subscribe to bring in the service.

Cost & time for installation:

- Phase 1 from under the power lines to office -- \$20,000; complete within 3 months
- Phase 2 for remainder of the park -- \$80,000; complete within 1 year

DISCUSSION: going forward could use fiber – expensive at this time. Questions about continuous monitoring of system; possibly have different plans for main office, ACH and common areas rather than wi-fi throughout the park. 3 or 4 people per access point or speed will slow down; running cables to individual sites limits usage to specific spots; wants people to be able to connect to one network anywhere in the park; low power settings; all cables are shielded so no signals

Boris Nicholson #878 – great initiative to provide wi-fi parkwide; potential health effects have been studied and some people leave the city to get away from electrical interference – an alternative might be having cable directly to member's sites so wi-fi wouldn't need to be throughout the entire park but in a few centralized locations like the ACH and ballpark.

Candy Ferguson #1137 – speed with hotspot is slow, likes wi-fi at home

No decision was made at the meeting; more discussion to follow.

Membership: Welcome to the 9 new members in October

Violations: No report

Sales: Looking into a process to identify sites not being used regularly in order to send a flyer regarding selling the membership. A report can be run by the office; the sales office should not be involved

Bingo: Gambling sales for September were \$2,892; sales of snacks & daubers was \$1,058; expenses were \$469.

Activities: The Halloween party and trick or treating will happen today.

Motion to allocate up to \$1000 for Thanksgiving dinners on November 17 from activities fund - approved

Motion to allocate up to \$300 for Christmas tree decoration dinner on November 18 from activities fund - approved

Motion for \$1000 out of Activities fund for Christmas party - approved

Bylaws Rules & Regulations: No report

Infrastructure: No report

Long Range Planning: There will be a meeting in November; items will be brought to the December board meeting

ORV: No report

Open Discussion: None

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 am