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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 16, 2025 – Noon – Hudson's

1. Roll Call

A. PRESENT:

- Frank Stabile - Chairman (Superior Oasis)
- Jenn Wallner - Treasurer (Tailored CPA's)
- Michelle LaJoie - (Lost Creek Apartments/CAAM)
- Chuck Williams - (mediaBrew)
- Michael Morgan - Co-Chairman (First National Trust & Wealth Management)

B. ABSENT

- Jim Borowski - (Goodwill)

C. GUESTS

- Andrew Rickauer

2. Consent Agenda

A. Treasurers Report:

- a. Bank Statement Balances as of August 31, 2025:
 - i. Checking: \$1,148.67
 - ii. Savings: \$5,056.25
 - iii. CD 4.00% (Matures 6/2026): \$7,631.39
- b. Invoices Paid:
 - i. Media Brew Website Fee: \$200
 - ii. Sarah Stabile for Secretarial Services: June \$75
- c. Invoices to be Paid:
 - i. Media Brew Website Fee: \$100
 - ii. Sarah Stabile for Secretarial Services: July \$27 August \$70

B. Correspondence - None

3. Regular Agenda

- A. Motion for Approval of September Agenda and Consent Agenda-** Michelle LaJoie motions, Mike Morgan supports, motion passes.

B. Reports:

- a. **Marquette Township Board Treasurer (Andrew Rickauer)**
 - i. Budget season is coming up.
 - ii. Tax collection just ended. This year's tax collection went well.
 - iii. The Renovare Project, now known as Heritage Trails, has been approved.
 - 1. This is the housing development behind Goodwill.
 - 2. The proposal had to be reworked, and the tiff has been approved.

- a. 10-year tiff, with at least 13 attainable housing units.
 - b. \$100,000 credit below market value.
 - c. Owner has to maintain ownership for five years.
 - d. If owner sells before the 5-year mark, must sell to someone in the same income range.
- 3. There is a meeting tomorrow to approve the purchase agreement.
 - a. Has to be reapproved.
- 4. There will be 47 units in total.
- 5. There will be a group of units that is above attainable housing price, but below regular price.
- 6. They will be adding garages, which was not in the original plan. There will most likely be a garage for each unit.
- 7. This will be a homeowner's association. This means the Township is not responsible for maintaining their road. For example, the Township will not be in charge of snow removal.
- 8. This could close by the end of the week, September, 18th.
- 9. Will be built by a local builder, Wildflower.
 - a. This is a Wisconsin based business. Owner now lives in Marquette.
- b. **Events (Chuck Williams):**
 - i. The car show went well, despite the weather being crappy.
 - ii. Plans for the Christmas Tree lighting are coming along well.
 - 1. There are several new sponsors.
 - 2. There will be a John Deere snow blower giveaway, sponsored by Northland, which is located in Negaunee.
 - 3. Traci will email Sarah about sponsorship for the tree lighting.
- c. **Marquette Township Planning & Zoning Administrator (Erik Powers)**
 - i. Erik could not attend the meeting.
 - ii. The new car wash site plan is up for review.
 - iii. The Jacobetti site is moving forward.
 - iv. There is a proposed science research facility, requesting a special use permit meeting.
 - v. The virtual golf simulator chose a different site.
- d. **DDA Update (Frank Stabile)**
 - i. The proposed trail system that would go North to South behind the businesses such as Comfort Suites has been ended.
 - ii. This trail system was originally proposed by Frank Stabile.
 - iii. The trail would have connected with the City of Marquette's trail.
 - iv. The DDA had to send letters out to all properties that would have boarded the trail.
 - v. A lot of property owners attended the DDA meeting about this and were unhappy. Both residential and businesses.
 - vi. Frank motioned to take this project off the plan, and this motion was approved. The trail system is no longer an active item.
- e. **MTBA Facebook Page & Website (Sarah Stabile)**
 - i. Sarah has been posting on the website and Facebook, as usual.
 - ii. There have been a couple of good informational posts from the Township.
 - iii. Please make sure to send Sarah any information you'd like shared on your business's behalf.

C. Membership:

- a. Members: 43 members
- b. Membership Drive
 - i. Today is the official membership drive kick off!
 - ii. Jenn will handle sending out invoices to our current members.
 - iii. The below business list is for new businesses in the Township that might want to become members.
 - iv. Each member of the board will take a of couple businesses to visit and recruit.
 - 1. Board members names are listed by the businesses they will visit.
- c. Potential New Businesses
 - i. Texas Roadhouse – Chuck
 - ii. Panera Bread – Chuck
 - iii. Youngs Menswear – Frank
 - iv. H&R Block – Michelle

- v. Dunham's – Mike
- vi. Dairy Queen – Mike
- vii. US Army Recruiting Station – Chuck
- viii. Harbor Freight – Mike
- ix. Shopko Optical – Michelle
- x. Riverside Auto – Frank
- xi. La Catrina – Chuck
- xii. T&M Fitness – Jenn
- xiii. Ultra Construction
- xiv. Nirvana – Frank
- xv. Wildflower – Chuck
- xvi. Mountain Manufacturing

D. New Business:

- a. Christmas Tree Lighting Donation/Participation
 - i. Sarah will wait to hear from Traci at mediaBrew regarding this.
- b. Reserve Money
 - i. The MTBA has money in their reserve.
 - ii. This is an item to think on- how could we use this money?

E. Unfinished Business:

- a. Raffle:
 - i. Sarah has visited two thirds of the members to selling tickets. Will finished the other third before the October meeting.
 - ii. There is a flea market in the Westwood mall in October that Sarah will look into for selling tickets at.

F. Donations

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 21, 2025 – Noon – Hudson's

Jenn Wallner motions to end the meeting, Mike Morgan supports, motion passes, and meeting adjoins at 12:59pm.