July 27, 2015 Livonia Park Board Minutes

Attending: Dave Hewitt, Jody Hammre, Jan Wallin, Lila Spencer, Don Sherper, Butch Hass

Carled to order 6:03pm

Approved the May 18, 2015 minutes

**4R Board Update-** Jody. – No meeting, board is on summer break.

Zimmerman Park Board Update - Jan W. Attended, but they failed to field a quorum, so no meeting.

Sugarbush – As the purchase will be final Tues. July 28<sup>th</sup>, we don't currently own the Israelson property. However, we discussed some basic ideas as to what were possible features. Those included: a fire ring, trails (w/connections to Sugarbush), different topography trail types (rustic, groomed, etc.), interactive signage (such as in the refuge), monarch/milkweed seeding, prairie grasses, natural site vs. developed site, parking area, shelter/picnic area. There was also discussion as to starting to set up for possible grant requests. Members will bring visions, priority list etc. to next meeting so we can start to hone in on how to proceed. Board envisions this will be a multi-phase project over several years (as funds and opportunities arise). Board was excited that we are proceeding towards a bigger, better park experience for our community.

Other Business- Butch H. Came to let us know details of the upcoming Youth Appreciation Day to be co-held with Zimmerman at Lions Park (as it was last year). Date is Sat. Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> (rainout day Sun. Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>). There will be hotdogs, pop/water, chips provided free. Asking for a \$500 donation from the park budget (park board was in favor), Town Board will decide. City of Zimmerman is matching and Fire Dept. is donating \$1000 towards cause. There will be an advertisement in Zimmerman Today paper. Last year was well attended and they went through almost 500 hotdings. Expect better turnout this year.

Meeting adjourned 6:50pm. Next meeting tentatively Sept. 28, 2015 at 6pm.

Approved this 28th day of September, 2015.

Park Chair or Vice Chair