Remus DDA Board Meeting Nov 21,2022 6:00 Meeting called to order at 6:05 by Dee Powell President Members Present: <u>Dee Powell, Nila Simon, Tom Vansyckle, Amy Noggle, , Dar Wernette, Guest: Stephanie McNeal</u> Motion to accept minutes from October 17th meeting made by Dar Wernette, seconded by Dee all in favor motion carried.

Bank Balance as of 11-20-22 \$24,520.70. presented by Dee, motion made to approve balance in checkbook by Nila Simon, seconded by Amy Noggle, all in agreement. Motion also made to approve all expenders by Nila Simon, seconded by Dee Powell, all in favor motion carried.

Current Business discussion and overview:

Audit Report: Our portion is \$1985.00 out of \$12,000 Dee is in question on why we are paying a different amount than the library and fire barn.

New Business Discussed:

- 1. **Recycling:** Stephanie McNeal was our guest speaker. Stephanie presented us with the following information based on her involvement with Mecosta recycling; Their center is open Saturdays 9 until noon year round, Wednesdays 9 until noon summer only. Employees are paid \$55 for a three-hour shift; lead man is paid \$65.00. Their yearly budget for the center is \$30,000. Cardboard is bailed and sold to Iron & Metal in Grand Rapids. Recycling can be brought in with no separation, meaning you don't need to separate glass, metal, plastic. It can be put in one container. Total cost to so their operation including building, cement work, wiring, drive, etc. was \$27,000. They started with a couple dumpsters and a shed; it has grown into this operation within a few years. We discussed working together in the future to get a Remus center started. We will visit this again and discuss the possibilities of a future recycling plant in town.
- 2. Grand Openings: None to report
- 3. **Holiday preparations:** The fire department, Lions club, Knights of Columbus and DDA have combined their efforts to have a Christmas Breakfast with Santa this year. Check our web page and Facebook page for information
- 4. **Memorial Wall:** Dar is still gathering new ideas to incorporate what is currently in front of the town hall.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Amy Noggle, seconded by Nila Simon, all in favor motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:55

Next Meeting scheduled for January 16th.

NO MEETING IN DECEMEBER: MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES.