

## **EVENDALE COUNCIL FINANCE, RECREATION, GORMAN FARM AND ECAC COMMITTEE MEETING**

**March 7, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.**

Present were, Council members Chris Schaefer, Bill Puthoff and Jeff Albrinck, CFO Cynthia Caracci, Recreation Director David Nichols, Director of Administration David Elmer, Evendale Cultural Arts Director Susan Gordy, Tricia Watts and Chris Patterson of Gorman Heritage Farm, CIC President Hugh McKinnon, and resident Stiney Vonderhaar.

### **Gorman Heritage Farm**

Tricia Watts presented the committee with a very nice painting of the Bank Barn

Registration is going well for summer camps – approximately 40% full already

School groups will be back this spring

The phone is not working properly and is functionally obsolete. They are exploring all options to repair but do have the funds to purchase a new system, if necessary.

Continuing evaluation of the appropriate methods to repair the historic buildings. Several names of people familiar with historic preservation were shared and Ms Watts will follow up

GHF announced that they have hire a new Director of Education- Evan Brothers

FECON has donated the use of a machine to clear several acres of woods

### **Finance**

Cynthia Caracci reported that February receipts were \$1,057,000, year to date receipts are up approximately \$140,000 over 2016

Bond funds will be reduced as they mature as we allocate resources to the large capital expenditures anticipated later in 2017

March agenda will include an ordinance to transfer \$151,000 from the contingency fund to cover the Veterans Memorial and other minor expenditures, and \$17,000 to pay the Auditor from the BMV who found approximately \$149,000 that had been erroneously sent to Sharonville.

### **Evendale Cultural Arts Center**

Bill Puthoff reported that the floor in the lower art studio needs to be refinished

David Tunison Fine Art Exhibit is March 24-26

Wine tasting events have been resurrected with large and small events planned, along with partnering with the Evendale Chamber of Commerce to coordinate some of the future wine tasting events.

Playhouse in the Park's presentation of "Around the World in 80 Days" was a big success

April 30 at 3:00 pm they will present "The Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe"

CAC is looking to add shelving units in the Hearth Room and other areas of the CAC to better store and organize art work and materials

The exterior 3 phase electric is now complete and ready for the interior connection

Fine Arts Exhibit is May 5-8

### **Recreation**

Mr Nichols reported that the March agenda will include an ordinance to hire Cory Peterson in the Rec Dept, part time to fill a vacancy.

### **Administration**

Mr Elmer requested additional consideration and feedback regarding the MedMart plan for expansion and their request that the village contribute toward streetscaping.

The village expects to enter into an exclusive rights agreement with Turnbull Wohler to study the feasibility of a 100,000 sq ft regional headquarters on the vacant lot at Inwood and Reading Rd.

The village is preparing the necessary paperwork to initiate the "Quick Take" proceeding against St Rita's to take the small sliver of property necessary to complete the reconfiguration of the light and intersection

### **Other**

Hugh McKinnon, President of the CIC, provided the committee with an update of the Aerohub progress and the CIC subcommittee activity. Interest in the project remains high and many options for the development are being considered

On motion by Mr. Schaefer, seconded by Mr. Puthoff, the meeting adjourned at 7:55.