

Friends of Wabeno

2/19/15

7 in attendance

7:00pm

Boardwalk: all phases were discussed and grants that were applied for.

Lowe's and Home Depot grants are for material (toilets, products, etc)

National Endowment of the Arts: July 1 we will hear back from them.

Outdoor museum for signage along the boardwalk. Match 1:1. Applied for a \$50,000 grant to pay for materials and artist fees over a two year period. We will create original artwork and write the Wabeno's Story. We will be bringing together art and history. An idea that was brought up was metal sculptures – example: metal Ferris wheel to represent the 50 years we had a Harvest Festival.

Town Board approved a letter of support to apply for the grant from the National Endowment of the Arts.

Grocery Store: We have two options: 10,000 sq ft or a 3000 to 4000 sq ft store or smaller.

Grant opportunities: 1) Super Valu 10,000 sq ft which is a little bigger than Townsend and would cost two million to build. 2) Down size to 3,000 sq ft or smaller. There's a possible grant in July through WEDC. When a survey went out a few years back the people did say they would support a store especially one with a meat market, few groceries and cheese. This could also be a tourist attraction as well. 3) FCPC are building a grocery in Carter.

The smaller grocery store was discussed and agreed upon to pursue this size.

Help Needed:

Supervisor: AmeriCorps group – will earn \$5,000 for 8 weeks.

Builders: To build a switchback for the boardwalk.

Promoter: Benches are to be sold at \$250 with a plaque on it. Two requested so far. We will have to stain them since the Job Corp does not have this in their training anymore.

Planner: We need a grocery store planning group.

Students: We need students to install our signs for the outdoor museum.

Adjourn at 8:00pm

Submitted by Lynn LaRock, Secretary