

# NORTHWEST OTTAWA RECREATION AUTHORITY

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## NORA ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** August 25, 2022 **Time:** 5:30 P.M. **Location.:** ESC Building (GHAPS)

1. Call to order: Vice Chairperson – Ron Redick – Grand Haven Twp
2. Present:        Ron Redick, Grand Haven Twp.        Mary Jane Belter, Grand Haven Twp.  
                     Frank Johnson - Robinson Twp.        Rick Mikkelson – Robinson Twp  
                     Ryan Cummings, Grand Haven        Vacant - Grand Haven  
                     William Montgomery, Ferrysburg        Craig Bessinger, Ferrysburg  
                     Chris Streng, GHAPS        Chris Van Hekken - NORA  
                     Rebecca Hopp - At Large        Jackie Rowland – NORA
- Absents:        Taylor Schriber - GHAPS
3. Approval of Meeting Agenda – Motion by Hopp, 2nd by Johnson. Approved unanimously
4. Approval of Consent Agenda – Motion by Belter, 2nd by Hopp. Approved unanimously
  - A. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of June 23, 2022 as printed.
  - B. Financial Reports:
    1. July 2022 Financials – Revenue & Expense Sheet
5. New Business
  - A. Summer & Fall Programming – Rowland spoke about Summer programs and upcoming Fall scheduling. Lots of exciting programs starting up once school begins.
  - B. Funding Development & Community Foundation updates: Van Hekken has met with 3 funding consultants and the Community Foundation about starting a non-endowment fund. Streng made a motion for NORA to apply for a technical assistance grant to help pay for the funding consulting firm. 2nd by Montgomery, motion passed unanimously.
  - C. Director Review – Schriber & Johnson met with Van Hekken to perform the annual review of the director. Positive feedback and comments from the board members.

- D. Grand Haven City Appointed Board Member Opening – Board position is posted on the NORA website and will stay there for at 30 days or until position is filled. Also contacted city officials to begin process of trying to fill this seat.
- E. Selection/Approval of NORA Board Secretary for 2022-23
  - With McCaleb stepping down from the NORA, the board secretary position was voted on. Belter was selected to take over the role of secretary by the board. Montgomery was also selected to take over the treasurer position.

6. Old Business

A. NORA Millage - Discussion on NORA millage for November 8, 2022 election. All municipalities approved the millage to be placed on their respective ballots.

7. Public Comments - NA

8. Advisory Board Comments – Comments from the board were positive surrounding the Summer & Fall programming. Also to pursue the funding consultant and technical assistance grants.

9. Next Scheduled Meeting – October 27, 2022

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10. Adjournment

Mary Jane Belter  
NORA Secretary

Oct 27, 2022  
Date