

**Muskegon County  
Community Development/Strategic Planning Committee  
June 19, 2014  
4:00 p.m.  
Hall of Justice, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Muskegon, MI**

**Robert Scolnik, Chair**

**Benjamin Cross, Vice-Chair**

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**MINUTES**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Scolnik at 4:15 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Benjamin Cross, Marvin Engle, Susie Hughes, Kenneth Mahoney,  
Charles Nash, Terry Sabo, Robert Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Cross, supported by Wilkins, to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2014, meeting as written. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (On an agenda item)**

None.

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

CD/SP14/06 – 08 It was moved by Mahoney, supported by Cross, to approve the rental agreement between the County of Muskegon and Hi-Falutin' Music for Heritage Landing rental for the Shoreline Jazz Festival, August 23 & 24, 2014, and authorize the Chairman of the Board sign and execute the agreement. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Engle requested approval to allow the Fruitport Eagle Riders to operate an entertainment and beverage tent during the Muskegon County Youth Fair at the Muskegon County Fairgrounds.

Commissioner Hughes inquired if the building permit issue has been resolved between the Fair Board and Fruitport Township officials. Mr. Hughes, Corporate Counsel, noted his office is currently working with the Township attorney on this issue.

Commissioner Sabo voiced his concern on the “image” of an adult beverage tent at the Youth Fair. Mr. Lukens, Community Development Director, noted the Fair Board was looking at options to help supplement the cost of the Youth Fair in that the carnival is not returning this year. He noted individuals entering the tent will be wrist banded to ensure age requirements are met.

Commissioner Hughes noted she felt the adult beverage tent “seemed out of place” at a Youth Fair.

Commissioner Engle noted the Fruitport Eagle Riders have donated time and money to the Youth Fair in recent years.

Commissioner Scolnik noted he would ask the Fair Board President to attend the next Community Development/Strategic Planning meeting to help answer questions of the Commissioners regarding maintenance and improvements at the fairgrounds.

CD/SP14-06 – 09 It was moved by Engle, supported by Cross, to allow the Muskegon County Fairgrounds Board, in association with the Fruitport Eagle Riders, to operate an entertainment and beverage tent on Friday, July 25, 2014, during the Muskegon County Youth Fair.

Motion carried.

Chairman Mahoney reminded those present of the reception being held at the Convention and Visitors Bureau beginning at 5:30 p.m. for the Ms. Bonnie Hammersley to wish her good luck in her next venture.

Chairman Mahoney also noted the Festival in the Park is being held Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at Rowan Park in Muskegon Heights.

Commissioner Hughes noted the Project Fresh Family Fun Day is Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., at the Public Health Department, 209 E. Apple Avenue.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Tammy Gillett, Sullivan Township Treasurer approached the Board and noted the Township is requesting the Fair Board pull the proper permits and issue a site plan, which is what they would request of anyone. She noted the fairgrounds bring a lot to the community.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Community Development/Strategic Planning Committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.