

## Hooper Board Meeting Notes

Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

Meeting began 7:05 p.m.

Present: Sue Nadeau (Chaired the meeting for Joni), Helen Dalbeck, Becky Whippie, Amy Owens, Steven Dalessio, Cheryl Mayberry and Peggy Pschirrer

\*Without a quorum the two board members present (Sue & Amy) and others agreed to just have a discussion around some of the important items on the agenda.

Notes about money: Helen shared that \$2,200 had been received in donations to The Hooper, of which two gifts were: \$1,000 from Northern Trust and \$150 from Cold River Advisory Grange. To date donations received: \$62,460

Helen shared some highlights on behalf of her efforts and programs: The town library and The Hooper Environmental Institute will partner to allow The Hooper to present a program on "Bears".

There were 3100 post cards mailed for the Lend a Hand fundraising campaign.

There was an update and discussion about the Feb. 11 Winter Fun Day relative to activities, materials/refreshments, prizes, volunteers and weather alternative activities.

Short discussion and comments about the hard work on the Hooper budget. Cheryl met with Rich on Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> to make changes and improvements and encouraging all members to take a look at it. Changes were approved by the Trustees, total is \$153,000. This needs formal approval by the Hooper Board of Directors at the Feb. meeting.

Peggy shared an update about the Cambridge Trust and Trustees of Trust Funds – will meet either Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup> to finalize how the Total Return Policy funds will be distributed.

The meeting ended approximately 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Nadeau