Portage Lake Harbor Commission May 27th, 2021

Members present: Jim Simons, Kevin Hughes, Chuck May, Frank English, Roger Burger, Steve brooks.

Absent: Denny Blue

Frank English: Banner’s 3’X6’ with gromets every two feet, photos with good definition, and wordage. Current number is up from six to seven. Discussion followed about Banner content.

All Taylor from 150 committee agreed to meet with Frank, & Bill Carter from South Pier.

Discussion; continued to include the whole Harbor group to meet with Bill Carter.

Denny Blue: in absence sent word that the final cost will be $24.00 per plate, drinks and utensils separate. Caterer needs final count soon!

Chuck May: discussion related to contacting different parties, overview of 7-17-21 proceedings, including discussion about who should speak and time limits and about urgency of getting the invitation letter out!

Jim Mrozinski honorarium was discussed including his 42year involvement in securing help from various entities to shore up the crumbling channel walls, Sail boat Barracuda running aground, Jim Simons walking on dry sand in channel East end.

Kevin Hughes: Use of Onekama high school is out due to track repairs and parking-lot being closed. John Schimke Manistee Co. Fair Board is ok with our use of the Fair Grounds for parking. Use of Portable Megaphone was granted by Gina Hagen Superintendent of Onekama Schools. Suggestion to use Face-book on line for presentation is a go. Discussion ensued as to who is photographing the presentation on FaceBook.

Steve Brooks: Reported that The Chicago Tribune responded, along with Detroit Free Press, Record Eagle of Traverse City, News Advocate of Manistee, TV 9 &10 of Cadillac, 7 & 4 Traverse City, and Wood TV-8 Grand Rapids.

Roger Burger: Mentioned that Manistee CERT volunteers will be asked to assist with crowd control, need time schedule tentatively 10:30-2:00pm South Pier.

Jim Simons: Discussion about correct wordage and signage for the memorial coin. Silver color agreed to.

Current need of 1,000 coins, 500 of which will be sold for $5.00 each to help defray cost of making them.

Discussion: continued about securing funding of the $5500.00 bill to throw this party!

David Meister to be contacted for his input and his view of this celebration.

Next Meeting June 7th, 2021. 7pm.

Snb/5/31/21