



Grand Vision Growth & Investment Areas

Regional Network Meeting

Monday, June 10th, 2013: 10a.m. – 12p.m.
1209 S. Garfield Ave.– Michigan Works!

Mission Statement: Facilitate the growth and entrepreneurial culture of unique cities and villages that strengthen our region by encouraging business development, removing barriers, utilizing incentives, and fostering public and private improvements.

Meeting Minutes

A. Welcome and Introductions

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| Virginia Tegel – Acme Township | Kathy Egan – Suttons Bay/Bingham Twp. |
| Teresa Howes – Village of Empire | John Sych – GTC Planning |
| Misty Youngson – Elk Rapids Chamber | Kurt H. Schindler – MSU Extension |
| Josh Mills – City of Frankfort | Mary Jo Barck – TC Area Chamber |
| Joe Meyers – Antrim County | Wally Delamater – Village of Suttons Bay |
| Jason Jones – GTC Parks & Rec | Freya Bradford – Northsky |
| Connor Miller - Northsky | Marcia Smith – Rotary Charities |
| Scott Gest - NWMCOG | |

B. Consideration of Agenda

- Agenda items D & C switched order

C. CORE Collective Impact and Goal Discussion - On behalf of the Grand Vision CORE Network, Marsha Smith, Rotary Charities, and Freya Bradford, NorthSky Nonprofit Network, will discuss “collective impact” and facilitate discussion around high-impact community goals.

- Collective impact is diverse groups focused on change – to solve a complex social problem.
- Those present at today’s meeting were asked to submit ideas on where and what to improve based on growth & investment strategies.

D. Community Updates

- a. City of Cadillac
 - i. See Mike
- b. Village of Ellsworth
 - i. The sign is installed and looking forward to the ribbon cutting.
- c. Village of Empire
 - i. Engaged consultant
- d. City of Frankfort
 - i. One response to the WiFi RFP Installation in time for July 4th weekend. 2 hours free.
- e. Grand Traverse County Parks & Recreation Department
 - i. iPhone application is now available for download at the Apple Store
- f. Kalkaska County



- i. Countywide Parks & Rec plan is under review of the County Planning Commission. No substantive edits are anticipated before the planned formal consideration at the July PC Meeting.
- g. Village of Kalkaska
 - i. No information available
- h. Village of Kingsley
 - i. No information available

E. Scott Gest – NWMCOG - “Economic Advantages of Environmental Stewardship“

F. Roundtable Discussion and Announcements: None

This meeting is open to all who wish to attend. If you are planning to attend and have a disability requiring any special assistance at the meeting, please notify the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments – Mike Woods (231-929-5056/E-mail at michaelwoods@nwm.cog.mi.us)