Connect Communities meeting notes February 25, 2019

Present: Deb Nelson, Mimi Crandall, Elaine Adams, Elizabeth Holland, Shelly Wilson

Community Park: Jack Redecki forwarded an email to Deb from John Higgins regarding the park. Mr. Higgins stated that he would still be helping out financially with the town park between the corner bar property and the Rivers Eatery.

Reusable Bags: Elizabeth Holland reported that she had a great meeting with Brett Rondeau regarding using reusable bags at Rondeaus. He now has generic reusable bags for sale and is taking off 5 cents if you bring your own bag. Rondeaus does do plastic bag recycling but it actually loses money. It is done to benefit the community and prevent the plastic from getting into the environment. Brett also agreed to allow the committee to put up recycling educational material up at the store.

Also discussed was creating reusable bags with the town logo on it and advertisement space for businesses. More research needs to be done on size of bag, quality of material, costs, how much to sell them for, and if businesses are interested in sponsoring and or selling these bags.

Flower pots: The plan commission has some questions about the flower pots that need to be addressed before they are ordered. Discussion on where the pots might be placed led to discussion of the bikes with flowers that have been placed around town and the option of just adding a couple other bikes. No decisions were made to send to plan commission.

Cable Community Mural: Donna Post has been hard at work on the mural in the basement of the Living Hope Church. Fundraising efforts are going well and the \$3000 goal has been met.

Cable Community Calendar: Emails have been sent to all area businesses to ask them to put their events on the calendar. Now work is being doing to encourage visitors and community people to use the calendar. Postcards are being put around to advertise the website as well as ads in the local papers.