FREP Membership Meeting Wednesday, January 21, 2015 1 PM Aurora

1) Call to order. 1:02 PM

Attendance: Eric Schoeny, Maggie Soliz, Lynn Boerman, Doug & Dorothy Dirks, David Guritz, John Hortness, Karen Ann Miller, Tara Neff, Larry Frieders, Nancy & Bill Cox, Fran Cafpee, Matthew Drabik, Leonard Dane, Karen Clementi, Carrie Carter, Mike Adam, Nancy Williams, Rob Linke, Elizabeth Hagen-Moeller, Michelle Loth, Bill Donnell, Katie Parkhurst, Dan Lobbes, John Church, Matt Bardol, Becky Hoag, Andrea Cline, Holly Hudson.


3) Treasurer’s Report. Matt report that the fiscal year starts in July 1st. Cash balance at the beginning of the period is $2,289.08. Membership dues collected was $5,140. Grant revenue is $1,998.92. Net revenue $7,138.92. Expenditures $540/month, total of $3,780 with an additional expense for Constant Contact and website $205.56. Net expenses $4,029.56. Balance as of today is $3,833.44.

4) Annual Membership Campaign. Becky reported that we have 100% of membership form last year. We have some new members.

5) Slate of Officers. Katie thanked officers from last year. As past president it is her job to present the slate of candidates. All current candidates have agreed to serve another term. She requested other nominations. Holly motioned to approve the slate of candidates. Rob seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

6) Fox River Summit 2015. Becky will send out invitation as soon as received, should be out shortly.

7) Fox River Summit new projects update:
   a) USGS WaterSMART – Water Budget. The project was not selected. The grant is awarded on a three year rotating cycle. U.S. Department of the Interior initiative.
   b) National Water Trails: Karen reported that the Executive Committee voted to apply for National Water Trails designation. Karen will lead the project and is forming a committee. Will need to look at different sections of the Fox and see what fits the criteria. First need to apply for technical assistance the application is due August 1. First meeting will be scheduled within a month.

8) Watershed Planning and Implementation Activities: Holly said that Boone and Dutch Creek in east central McHenry County is halfway done; they are identifying BMPs. She asked for other current watershed planning updates? There were none. Fox is a priority for implementation this year for 319 applications. Katie said that the Villages of Algonquin and Carpentersville are working with CMAP to do a Fox River Corridor Plan focusing on how people use the river and economic development. There is a meeting tonight at Carpentersville Public Works.

9) Meeting Program & Noon Network Schedule. Schedule is at the bottom. Elizabeth said we’re always looking for ideas.

10) Old Business: None

11) New Business:

a. DamNation film: Executive Board will view before we host a public showing to make sure that it is relevant.

b. The Conservation Foundation is hosting the DuPage Environmental Summit with a theme of stormwater and the health of our local streams on February 19th. It’s free 11-5 Dan

c. Group rain barrel purchases, Dan passed around flier.

d. February 26th Karen Two Brothers Green Town event. Karen will send Becky to include in the Downstream.


f. Bill introduced Larry the Compounding Pharmacist. Through Kiwanis and his business, they have a Yellow Jug program were they collect unused medication for disposal to prevent it from getting into the ground water system. He has additional information on his website: thecompunder.com.

g. Maggie St. Charles River Corridor Plan. Received a River Boat grant in combination with the Park District and others. They have selected a consultant to complete the plan.

12) Adjournment: Rob motioned to adjourn, Dan seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Membership Meeting Program: Harmful Algae Bloom Pilot Project
Mike Adam, LCHD

Upcoming 2014-15 Dates:

February 18, 2015 Noon Network: Location & Program Open
March 20, 2015 3rd Annual Fox River Summit with Wisconsin
April 15, 2015 Noon Network: Open
May 20, 2015 FREP Membership Meeting: Location & Program Open
June 17, 2015 Noon Network: Fox Valley Park District’s Naturalized Areas as part of a Sports Complex Expansion
Aug. 19, 2015 Noon Network: Oakwood Hills Fen Stream Corridor Restoration Project

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