

FREP Membership Minutes, 9-11-19, Port Barrington

Present: Jeff Mengler, Elizabeth Hagen-Moelier, Karen Ann Miller, Maggie Soliz, Cindy Skrukud, Nancy Cox, Beck Hoag, Rob Linke, Faye Sinnott, Donna Erfort, Quentin Podrraza, Sarah Duple, Nicole Vidales, Nia Haller, Carolyn Campbell, Gary Swick, John Grothendick, Abel Haile, Kim Siemens, Brian Vallensky, Paul Anderson and guests

Call to Order: 1:05 p.m. by Jeff Mengler

Introductions: 24 attendees introduced themselves

Approval of Minutes from May 18, 2019: Soliz moved, and Skrukud seconded. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: FREP is sustained almost solely by dues. We currently have received about 72% of our 2018-19 membership dues for 2019-20. There will be follow-up for those not yet in and we are always seeking new members.. Report approval moved by Skrukud and seconded by Linke. Approved.

Fox River Water Trail: Karen Miller reported that the goal of this project is to eventually receive water trail designation from the National Park Service. Support is building and the website fabulousfoxwatertrail.org is full of maps and information for current use of the Fox River as a water trail.

Fox River Study Group: Cindy Skrukud advised that the Army Corp of Engineers and the DNR are involved.

Upcoming meetings: The next meeting is a Noon Network on Oct 9 at Batavia High School's Natural Area Enhancement Project. Plans are being made for a December social activity at a watershed restaurant/bar that promotes sustainability practices and local foods. The rest of the 2020 program calendar will be set soon. We are always looking for new locations to host our meetings and noon networks.

Announcements: Gary Swick of Friends of the Fox River shared about upcoming River Days events sponsored by local groups. Watch for announcements.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm to proceed into the program.

Program: Upper Fox River/Flint Creek & Chain O'Lakes Watershed Stage 3 TMDL Report
Abel Haile, IEPA and Kim Siemens, CDM Smith

Minutes Submitted by Nancy A. Cox, Secretary