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Friends of the Fox River Trail News for November 2017

Notes from Friends FRT meeting 10/26/2017

Attendance: Peter Flucke, Tracy Flucke, Dave Paider, Rick Ledvina, Kate Bayer, Frank Radosevich, Carol Radosevich, Ron Cattelan, Jim O'Rourke, Jennifer Classon, Ross Kroll, Ken Nyberg, Cliff Wall and Rebecca Nyberg.

Treasurer's report:

No transactions in the last 3 months. Same balance as for July report, \$3,650.58. There was a discussion about the annual membership fee of \$10 per household. It will stay at the same amount for 2018. On the webpage, there will be the option for larger donations too.

Ron Cattelan asked for assistance with the treasurer position. With the new webpage and using Paypal for donations, the treasurer's job will be a little more complicated. Ross Kroll stepped forward to accept the "co-treasurer" position. He will help with the account and setting up the on-line transactions. Ross works at Associated Bank and understands electronic banking.

Website unveiling:

- The website is about 90% done.
- Will officially "go live" on December 1, 2017
- New web address after 12/01/2017 will be: www.FoxRiverTrailFriends.org
- Paypal will be used for donations and sponsorships.
- To help defray the cost of the webpage, Friends FRT will be seeking \$30 donations for a one-year sponsorship. There will be a banner ad on each page of the website with one line of text allotted for each \$30 donation.

- Elizabeth Havican has agreed to be webmaster/ maintenance technician. She will charge Friends FRT \$200 annually for the service.
- The webpage will be a work in progress. That is why we will be paying a webmaster for the next year. Elizabeth will work out the bugs to present a quality site. Friends FRT will still use this e-mail <u>friendsoffrt@yahoo.com</u> so send your suggestions to improve the site as needed.
- Elizabeth will link the webpage to a Friends FRT Facebook page and possibly an Instagram account.

Fall projects:

Come one, come all for a morning of buckthorn cutting.

- St Francis Park.
- Saturday November 18, 2017
- 9-11 am
- Wear comfortable clothes and bring your gardening gloves

New Friends FRT promotional materials:

Kate Bayer volunteered to work with Rebecca Nyberg and update the Friends FRT promotional flyer. The current flyer is more than 10 years old. Brown County Parks will give out the new flyer to those who purchase WI State Trail Passes. They will also be available at the kiosks along the FRT.

Brown County Parks report Rick Ledvina:

- Trail blowing was done twice weekly.
- 3 Bicycle Repair Stations were installed along the FRT. They were donated by a Leadership Green Bay team.
- Kiosk behind Eve's Supper Club was removed because the foundation was blocking a storm sewer line.
- Everything is being winterized for the season.
- Snow will be cleared from the paved portion of the FRT again this winter.

Public comments:

Peter and Tracy Flucke have just finished their first book, "Coast to Coast on a Tandem". The launch party will be Thursday 11/02/2017 from 6-8 pm at Badger State Brewing. Everyone is welcome. See www.webike.org for details.