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Friends of the Fox River Trail News for November 2018

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Notes from Friends FRT October 25, 2018 meeting

Attending:

Tom O'Rourke, Jim O'Rourke, Nikki Hilker, Ken Nyberg and Rebecca Nyberg

Treasurer's report:

	Expense	Balance
Beginning Balance		\$4,444.37
Dispersal of Flower Grant	\$100.00	\$4,344.37
Website Maintenance	\$50.00	\$4,294.37

During the next quarter, an estimated \$2,000 will be donated to the Brown County Parks for the Wayfinding Sign project.

State wide Friends group meeting:

**Saturday, November 10, 2018 - Friends of WI State Parks in Madison will be hosting a statewide training session for Friend group members.

If you are interested go here for more details: www.fwsp.org

FRT merchandise update:

This winter Ken Nyberg will communicate with representatives of the Bike Hub and Ledgestone Vineyard about marketing some Friends FRT merchandise (rollout spring 2019).

Facebook update:

We are encouraging everyone to <u>please</u> post pictures and messages to our Facebook page as we really need of a more active presence! Facebook page Friends-of-the-Fox-River-Trail

Buckthorn clean up:

**Saturday, 11/03/2018, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. – Meet in the parking lot off of Riverside Drive South of St Francis Park. There is no rain date. Dress for work and the weather. Many hands make light work!

Available land for South parking lots:

Two small pieces of railroad land were not transferred to the state when the trail was built. The current owner of them is three years behind on property taxes. In the spring of 2019 the property will revert back to Brown County if the property taxes are not paid. If this happens, the Park Department would like to add these pieces of land to the Fox River Trail. They could be used for parking areas in the more rural section of the trail. Friends FRT will keep an eye on this and assist if needed.

Brown County Parks/Friends FRT sign project:

Before the end of October, Brown County Parks will install eight new Wayfinding signs as well as make improvements at kiosks along the trail. Friends FRT received a check for \$845 from WI State Parks as a partial grant for the project. Friends FRT will pay the remainder of the cost up to a total of \$2,000 upon completion.

Public comments:

Ken Nyberg thanked Nikki and the staff of Brown County Parks for keeping the Fox River Trail in such good condition.

2019 Friends FRT meeting schedule:

January 23, 2019

April 24, 2019

July 24, 2019

October 23, 2019