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Friends of the Fox River Trail News for August 2019

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Notes from our 3rd quarter meeting July 25, 2019:

Attending: Ken Nyberg, Nikki Hilker and Rebecca Nyberg

Second quarter treasurer's report:

Beginning balance April 1, 2019 \$3,428.69
Ending balance June 30, 209 \$3,625.47
Revenues- memberships, sponsorships and interest income \$246.78
Expenses – website maintenance \$50.00
Outstanding obligations -- \$1,000 for purchase of parcels in the Town of Rockland

Open Streets:

A fun time at Open streets on July 13, 2019. We gave away Fox River Trail water bottles, literature and played beanbags with the kids.

Water bottles:

The first 5 membership donations in August 2019 will include a Friends FRT water bottle. Hurry and make that donation now. https://friendsfrt.org/become-a-member/ After you make the donation, you can pick up your water bottle at Cliff Wall Subaru on E Mason St.

Brown County Parks Report Nikki Hilker:

The two former railroad sidings in the Town of Rockland will be purchased by the Brown County Park Department!! The cost will be 4 years of back taxes and interest. The total is a little under \$1,000. Since this was an unplanned expense for Parks, Matt Kriese asked if Friends FRT would be willing to donate enough to purchase the parcels. This project has been on our radar for the last 8 years. Once the purchase is finalized, Matt will reach out to our treasurer for a check.

There was damage at nearly every property in the Brown County Parks system July 19 and 20 when two storm systems moved through. They are doing their best to repair the damage and remove debris.

Every 3-4 years, Parks rents a large overhead mower to clear plant growth along the trail. They have to have a wide enough area for emergency vehicles to move down the trail and clear the sight lines where the trail crosses roadways. They will be mowing and chewing up vegetation for the next 2-3 weeks along the trail. Please respect the size and power of the equipment they are using. They may have to close the trail for short periods of time too. Thank you for your patience.

Next quarterly meeting:

Thursday October 24, 2019 7 to 8:30 pm Gallagher's Pizza on Webster St