

For Approval
November 3, 2016



Advisory Committee
(appointed by Board of Directors)

Held on September 1, 2016
Lake Front Park Room 1
71 Nippersink Blvd
Fox Lake, IL 60020

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1.0 Call to Order

Chairman Sweet

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Sweet.

2.0 Roll Call

Secretary Basten

Present: Randy Sweet, Dennis Leo, Anne Basten, David Corrigan, Ken Fruh, Dan Shea, Don Larson, Stacey Brooks, and Jill Heyn

Also present: Rob Bowman, Superintendent

Absent: Police

Excused: Sue Draffkorn, Tom Fernstrom, Tim Webster, Stacey Brooks, Hank Reinke, Dan Mitchell

3.0 Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Sweet

4.0 Approval of Minutes

Chairman Sweet

4.1 Minutes of July 12, 2016

Motion: Motion to approve the minutes of July 12, 2016 as presented.

Motion: Dennis Leo

Second: Ken Fruh

Discussion: None.

Motion carried.

5.0 Reports

5.1 FWA

Rob Bowman

Discussion: Rob reported that there had been a few articles in the local papers on the algae growth, funding issues and dredging on the waterway. The dredging equipment has been moved to L10 and will be doing Jackson then Port Barrington area. There were questions about loosestrife and why it was all over again – Anne stated that several years ago there were beetles released in the area to control the loosestrife but when the plants died back, the beetle population was reduced. It is hoped that this is cyclical and that the beetle numbers will increase and control it again but pulling plants on your own property before they go to seed is a help. Another question about chemical control of algae was given the high cost rational for no one doing it.

Rob reported that Executive Director Joe Keller was still working to get the FEMA funding to reestablish the existing FWA building for service.

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5.2 Regional (Upper/Lower/Lakes)Current Events	Open
Discussion: It was reported that the lower river is at normal levels and the lakes were a little higher than normal and green in color from the algae.	
5.3 Current Events	Open
Discussion: There will be a sailing regatta the second Sat of September and the return of the "big" regatta in 2017. Don reported that Harvard was hosting the first balloon fest.	
6.0 Old Business	
6.1 Committee Reports	Ken Fruh
Discussion: The committee on Agency special event fees did not meet.	
6.2 Expense Savings ideas	Vice Chairman Leo
Discussion: Dennis reported that he had spoken to Joe Keller about ways to save money. One of the items that costs the agency money is for staff to set up, supervise and remove buoys for special events about 3-4 times per season. It usually ends up with overtime costs.	
Motion: To recommend that the Fox Waterway Agency no longer provide buoy installation and removal service for free but to provide the services for a fee or to rent the buoys to the groups at a reduced rate if they install them themselves.	
Motion: Ken Fruh Second: Dennis Leo Discussion: None. Motion carried.	
7.0 New Business	
7.1 Proposed 2017 meeting schedule	Chairman Sweet
Motion: Motion to approve the 2017 meeting schedule as presented.	
Motion: Dan Shea Second: Ken Fruh Discussion: None. Motion carried.	
8.0 Public Comments & Presentations by others	
It was reported that Tom Fernstrom had represented a business owner about no wake by Route 14 on the River – and had been turned down by the agency. He was told that the Owner of the property must go to IDNR themselves. These issues are not to go through the Advisory Committee.	
The Annual River Clean Up is to be placed on the November committee agenda. The Agency was requested to send out thank you notes to the sponsors.	
9.0 Adjournment	
Motion to adjourn September 1, 2016 Advisory Committee Meeting.	

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Motion: Dave Corrigan

Second: Dennis Leo

Discussion: None

Motion carries, meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.