

For Approval
September 7, 2017

	<p>Advisory Committee (appointed by Board of Directors)</p> <p>Fox Waterway Agency Garage 45 S Pistakee Lake Rd Fox Lake, IL 60020</p>
----- Minutes -----	
1.0 Call to Order	Chairman Sweet
Meeting called to order at 12:35 p.m. by Chairman Sweet.	
2.0 Roll Call	Secretary Basten
<p><u>Present:</u> Randy Sweet, Anne Basten, Ken Fruh, Jill Heyn, Dan Mitchell. Also present: Rob Bowman, Superintendent & Joe Keller, Executive Director Public Present: John Fisher & Jim Cartwright</p>	
<p><u>Absent:</u> Police, Dennis Leo <u>Excused:</u> Hank Reinke, David Corrigan, Don Larson, Stacey Brooks, Tim Webster, Tom Fernstrom, Dan Shea and Sue Draffkorn <u>Appointed:</u> Joseph Remke</p>	
3.0 Pledge of Allegiance	Chairman Sweet
4.0 Approval of Minutes	Chairman Sweet
4.1 Minutes of May 4, 2017	
Motion: Motion to approve the minutes of April 4, 2017	
<p>Motion: Ken Fruh Second: Jill Heyn Discussion: None. Motion carried.</p>	
5.0 Reports	
5.1 FWA	Rob Bowman

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Discussion: Rob Bowman's report was provided while we were on the boat and is summarized here.

Took us down to the McHenry Boat Launch that is under construction. The Agency assisted the City of McHenry by removing 2000 yds of material in the approach to the launch area and buoy placement along the 100' wide approach.

The tour then moved up to Dutch Creek area in Johnsburg where the Village of Johnsburg has accepted a \$10M grant to remove silt and debris in the Dutch Creek bay and channels. The Village will provide land for the drainage of the material before transport. Rob announced that the Dun's Lake channel entrance project will begin in about three weeks.

The tour then headed up to Grass Island, the 26 acre manmade island in Grass Lake. There were pelicans using the site and it is holding up well. He explained for those who were not there for the construction, how it was built. The tour then ended.

5.2 Regional (Upper/Lower/Lakes)

Open

Discussion: The river had been rough due to high volumes of summer traffic. It was noted that the upper river seemed cooler and the water levels were below normal.

5.3 Current Events

Open

Discussion: Anne Basten reported that all legislative bills that passed both houses were either sitting on the Governor's desk or waiting to be transferred to the Governor.

The Fireworks were good, Venetian Night and Shoot out are both scheduled for August 5th, Land & Lakes Day in Fox Lake is scheduled, and the Pistakee Lake Blue Chip Regatta is 9/16/17

5.4 Subcommittee Report: Advertising Revenue

Anne Basten reviewed the figures she had researched and provided to subcommittee Chair Jill Heyn. It was determined that there would be a lot of work for very little revenue at this time. It would be different if there was staff to field calls and follow up with advertisers and if the Advisory Board was more active and could gather sponsors. The McHenry County Snowmobile Club nets about \$2000 per year and it is all done by volunteers but their intent is to get the trail maps which change almost annually in the hands of the users to prevent conflicts with landowners. It is not intended as a major fundraiser like the Fox Waterway was looking at. The River itself does not change and maps of the river are available on mobile apps now. It would take a lot of time to maintain and determine who gets on the map and what doesn't.

Motion: To recommend that the FWA not pursue the creation of an advertising map at this time but the issue can be revisited at a future time.

Move: Jill Heyn

Second: Ken Fruh

Discussion: None

Motion carried.

6.0 Old Business

6.1 Membership follow-up: Power Squadron, USCGA, IDNR, Conservation Police, McHenry County Conservation Police

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Discussion: Chairman Sweet introduced John Fisher who is considering representing the USCGA on the Advisory Committee. He has not heard back from the Power Squadron. Anne Basten shared that the IDNR Conservation Police and McHenry County Conservation District Police would be willing to attend if information was needed at a particular meeting but cannot provide regular attendance at meetings.

7.0 New Business

7.1 None

Chairman Sweet

8.0 Public Comments & Presentations by others

None

9.0 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn July 11, 2017 Advisory Committee Meeting.

Motion: Ken Fruh

Second: Dan Mitchell

Discussion: None

Motion carries, meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.