

Minutes for 1000 Islands Environmental Center Committee Meeting Held on Thursday, May 16, 2019

Members Present: Carlson, Driessen, Gertz, Hietpas, Pautz and VanBerkel

Not Present: McGinnis, McGregor, and McSorley

Also Present: Deb Nowak

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Driessen at 6:45 p.m. Quorum is present.

March 2019 Meeting Minutes

VanBerkel made a motion to accept minutes of the April meeting. Seconded by Gertz. Motion carried.

Financial Report

The March financial report was reviewed. VanBerkel questioned some of the expenditures on the restricted fund detail. Nowak explained that it was multiple charges listed under the one "play sand" item. There was discussion of the ongoing issues with the AT&T bills and phone porting. VanBerkel will be meeting with Nowak regarding the next steps towards resolving the phone charges. After discussion, Gertz made a motion to approve the April financial report. Seconded by VanBerkel. Motion carried.

Correspondence

None

Report from the Friends of 1000 Islands

The Art Fair is coming up on Sunday. Everyone is welcome to come down and help with the event.

Naturalist's Report

Review of Nowak's report. VanBerkel inquired about the volunteer groups, including who sets the project list and who supervises the groups. Nowak informed the committee that it is a group effort amongst the staff to compile a volunteer project list and supervise volunteer groups.

Admin/Finance Committee

VanBerkel reported that work on updating the policy book continues. VanBerkel commented on finding the original conservancy zone boundaries as well as the addition of the Hoersch property. Gertz moved to accept the summary of the Administrative Finance Committee meeting on April 23, 2019. Second by Hietpas. Motion passed.

VanBerkel moved to change the title of the Naturalist position to Director/Naturalist. Second by Pautz. Motion passed.

Education

Nothing to report.

Buildings & Grounds

The new deck is nearly complete. The stairs are the last component to finish off the project. It will be completed by May 19th for the Art Fair.

Old Business

Nowak updated the committee on the progress of the Nelson Overlook project. Funding through the Community Foundation is being considered for 2020.

New Business

Nothing to report.

Good for the Center

Nowak informed the committee that the Fox Firecracker 5K Run/Walk being held this year will feature 1000 Islands on its finisher's medal. For the next 4 years, a different Kaukauna attraction will be featured on the medal.

Next Committee Meeting

Next Committee Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 20th.

There being no further business, Hietpas moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Gertz. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Maureen Feldt
Acting Secretary