

Friends of Shabbona Lake State Park
April 18, 2017 Meeting, 7:00 PM
Resource Bank Schoolhouse

President Spencer Meyer opened the meeting. Attending: Mike Tuma, Clint Sands, Tim Pierce, Rich McElligott, Denny Sands, Spencer Meyer, Evan Ostrander and Kathy Sands. Absent: Duane Landmeier and Joe Lenkaitis.

Spencer explained that if the rearing pond project is not completed by May, 2017, he will send a report to the DeKalb County Community Foundation. He will be sending reports monthly until the project is complete. The DCCF does understand this project is weather related for completion. This will most likely be in the summer.

The spillway barrier fence has been repaired. Issue of erosion will continue to be a problem and it will continue to have temporary repairs as needed. Three truck loads of rock have been used to help with the erosion. The state does not want concrete used for the erosion issue.

Rich stated the upper barrier needs to be repaired before the fish rescue. The value of the fish that have been returned to the lake since the rescue started is estimated to be several tens of thousands of dollars.

Everyone thanked Mike and Spencer for selling raffle tickets at the Tinley Park fishing show. They raised \$450.00. It was discussed that this is a good idea to do again next year.

The fish cribs that the Shabbona Lake Sportsman Club and the IDNR partnered to build will be placed in the lake next winter. This winter, with the short time of ice, prohibited the cribs being placed in the lake.

Denny sent out the dues renewal letter. He has received \$1015.00 in dues since January 1, 2017.

Denny filed the 2016 tax report. The Board insurance has been paid for 2017.

Denny went over the Treasurer's Report. He explained the costs that have been paid to Kyler for the rearing pond project. Kyler does not have much left to do to complete the project, but again, weather will determine when that will happen. Denny filled out an online form from Kish Health asking for \$500.00. The cost of the Kids Pond in the campground was discussed. The IDNR Hot Shot Crew is to repair the pond which will include dredging it.

Mike spoke about scheduling work days for the Friends group, with volunteers, for projects in the park. The work days are the 1st Tuesday and 3rd Thursday for the months of May, June, July and August. Rain dates will be the 2nd Tuesday and 4th Thursday of May, June, July and August. Work day times will be 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. These days and times will need the

Superintendent's approval. Mike said he will contact the Monsanto volunteers when he has dates arranged to complete painting the privies, swing sets and gazebo.

The spillway bridge repair was discussed. The park has the materials needed for the repair. The Friends will pay for the hardware for the bridge repair, it is a designated expense in the Treasurer's Report. This is a non-fishing project.

Everyone is excited about the Archery Range. The Friends will help with this project as needed.

Joe is considering where a sledding hill could be.

Mike Tuma has volunteered to make the Friends sign to be displayed in the park.

The privy by the boat launch was discussed with several ideas and options to consider. One idea was a flush toilet that will be an expensive project. This is the number one compliant in the park. One was a flush toilet that will be an expensive project. Use of grants would be an option to complete this project. Tim mentioned the possibility of ADA grants. Tim is going to follow up with Kane County about how they maintain their privies.

The boat launch light was discussed. Spencer has a guy who will fix it.

Clint made a motion to spend up to \$250.00 for cleats, nuts, washers and bolts for the boat launch docks pending approval from Joe. Mike already delivered 300' of fire hose for the boat launch docks. The motion passed unanimously.

Both barrier fences are the responsibility of the Shabbona Lake Sportsman Club. Denny and Rich, years ago, signed a form with the state that SLSC would maintain and clean the barriers. Quad County Hawg Hunters and several other muskie clubs have donated substantially to maintaining the barriers in partnership with SLSC.

With so many projects, Denny suggested that a meeting should be scheduled with Joe. Spencer will set a meeting date with Joe. Spencer and Denny will meet with Joe.

Rich McElligott is resigning his position of Director.

Tim Peirce made a motion to accept the 2017 election slate of Board Directors. President: Spencer Meyer, Vice President: Mike Tuma, Treasurer: Denny Sands, Secretary: Kathy Sands, Marketing: Clint Sands, Directors: Tim Pierce, Duane Landmeier, Evan Ostrander and Park Rep: Superintendent Joe Lenkaitis. Clint seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. We have one Director position open.

Tim Pierce made a motion to approve the January 19, 2017, meeting minutes. Mike Tuma seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting date is: **Thursday, June 15, 2017, 7:00 PM at the Shabbona Resource Bank Schoolhouse.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Sands