

Friends of Shabbona Lake State Park
November 15, 2017 Meeting, 7:00 PM
Shabbona Resource Bank Schoolhouse

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

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Tim and was seconded by Clint. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion, Denny made a motion to appoint Larry Kimpan to serve as a Board Member on the Friends of Shabbona Lake State Park Board. Tim seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. All Board Members welcomed and thanked Larry. Larry is replacing Rich McElligot after his resignation from the Board.

The spillway bridge repair has been completed.

The archery range is done. Joe said they are getting the signage for it done. The public is using it.

Joe spoke about getting electricity at all the shelters. The shelter at the top of the hill off the main parking lot will be the first to have electrical run to it.

Denny presented the Treasurer's Report. \$14,369.98 was spent on park projects this year. Checkbook balance is \$8,629.10. Designated Funds are \$3,748.49. This leaves a balance of \$4,880.61. Tim made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Spencer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The privy painting projects are now on hold until next spring.

Joe said the rearing pond is filled up and looks good. It will be in use in 2018.

Denny revised the Friends brochure with Tim's pictures.

Spencer discussed applying for a grant in the spring of 2018 for the youth camp pavilion. Spencer will request letters from groups that use it. This is helpful to have our grant approved.

Spencer is also looking into other foundations for grant opportunities.

Denny spoke about obtaining a traffic flashing sign to help slow traffic down on the park roads. Cost can be prohibitive. Denny has spoken with Danny Rey, who works for DeKalb city about the possibility of getting a used or refurbished one. He will speak with Representative Tom

Demmer. Joe will speak the Department of Transportation. Joe and Denny spoke about the effectiveness of the signs.

Tim mentioned putting people crossing signs in high traffic zones in the park.

Kathy presented some rough drawings for Friends of Shabbona Lake State Park signage. Clint made a motion for up to \$1,000.00 for signage. Tim seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Spencer has a friend who does signs. He will check with him. Kathy and Denny will get a quote from Banner Up. The signs should be up by the next meeting. Brochure holders will be installed for the Friends brochures. There was discussion about putting one of these signs up at the Kishwaukee River state property near Kirkland. Everyone thought this was a great idea.

The dock bumpers will be installed over the winter.

Joe is hoping to replace the docks, especially the main boat dock. It is not safe. This could be a Friends project. There are Federal funds available to make them ADA accessible.

RockFest is the first Saturday in February 2018. Denny suggested building five more fish cribs. Joe agreed.

Joe said that 6 benches were installed this summer. They are composite material and look great.

Clint said we should do the raffle again at the 2018 fish shows. He will speak to Robinson about a donation. There was discussion on the cost of a booth at the Schaumburg and Tinley shows. Clint will print brochures for the Friends group.

Spencer said Duane received \$500.00 for rock for the (musky rescue) lower barrier down from the dam. It was determined that two truckload of rock was required for the barrier. Spencer will get back to Duane about the rock. Larry said the need is for huge rocks. Joe wants to ensure that the bank is stabilized.

Dues were mentioned and will be addressed at the February 2018 meeting.

Clint made a motion to approve the August 30, 2017, minutes. Tim seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting is Tuesday, February 6, 2018, 7:00 PM, at the Shabbona Resource Bank Schoolhouse.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Sands

