

FoSL Board Meeting on November 14, 2016 - Minutes

Members Present: Jesse Chickering, Judi Rippe, Pat Petermann, Rita VanderVliet, Chris Olson, Mike Jonassen, Sean Henry, Ed DeJong

Absent: Board member - Don Tucker; Trustees: Bill DJ, Tom Rickhoff, Bob Busscher

1. Approval of the FoSL Board Meeting Minutes from June 27, 2016
 - a. Motion made by Judi Rippe. Second by Mike Jonassen
 - b. Motion was passed.

2. Treasurer's Report – Rita VV
 - a. Current Fund Balance - \$10,189.38
 - b. Year end – request for donations – The board is in favor of doing this again this year. Bill DJ will be asked to include this in an email to the FoSL.
 - c. Email FoSL list to ask them to support Golden Township Park Concert Series and brick walk project (GTPCS & BW Project). The board is in favor of including this in the year end request for donations email that will be sent. (see b. above)
 - i. The board agreed it would be appropriate to have the completed forms and money from those supporting the project, to make their checks payable to FoSL (Golden Township Park Concert Series & brick walk project) & mail the checks & completed forms to FoSL treasurer's address. The treasurer would send the donor a tax receipt from FoSL. Collected monies would be deposited in FoSL checking account. The treasurer would periodically forward the completed forms to Gary Dunham with a check from FoSL checking account to cover the donor's contribution.
 - ii. If Gary Dunham agrees with this process, then the return information on the form sent to FoSL would need to be changed before the form is sent out to the FoSL email list.

Committee Updates / Action items:

1. FoSL Booth @ Applefest – Rita VV & Michael Jonassen
 - a. It was felt that the FoSL booth / experience at Applefest were below par this year. (Sold 2 hats, netted approximately \$93.00 from the event and got 7 new email addresses)
 - b. Possible reasons: Bad weather. Having the booth in the park provided less traffic than previous years. The amateur BBQ contest was missing and the many people that these contestants bring with them were also missing, etc. Jesse's brother's group brought 50 people in past years. There were 30 amateur BBQ contestants the previous year. This adds up to a lot of people!
 - c. Rita will email and possibly speak with Renee Berens or someone else from the Applefest Committee providing input to possibly make the vendors and Applefest attendee's experience better. Rita will check with Jesse C. and Mike J. to verify the reasons and to come up with suggestions to help make the Applefest experience better for everyone. (ie. Move the car show to the park and keep the booths on the street)
 - d. The question was raised.... Are the people at Applefest our target audience?
 - e. It was the consensus of the board that unless enough positive changes were made, FoSL board would not want to do an Applefest booth in 2017. Sponsoring one of the Tuesday night 'Picnics in the Park' was offered as an alternative to doing Applefest.
2. Silver Lake Recreation Association (SLRA) Ed DeJong
 - a. SL State Park ORV Parking Lot Expansion - Meeting held on September 17
 - b. SL State Park Pedestrian Lot meeting – late September
 - c. DNR seems to be listening to the input from residents. DNR will continue to work on the plan during the winter and early Spring.
3. Silver Lake Dunes Area Chamber of Commerce Don Tucker
 - a. Nothing to report as Don Tucker was not in attendance.

4. Silver Lake Improvement Board (SLIB) Bill DeJong (reported by EDJ)
 - a. Sewer Proposal / recommendations
 - i. Search Grant has been applied for and Golden Township has been approved to receive grant money for pre-engineering work to be done by both Prein & Newhoff and Larry Stephens, the engineer working for Craig Cihak.
5. Mailing List Maintenance Bill DeJong
 - a. Nothing new to report
6. Upper Silver Lake Association Michael Jonassen
 - a. Progress on rebuilding the dam – The dam is about 3 weeks behind schedule, but it is still slated to be done by early May 2017.
7. Bike / Hiking Paths Jesse Chickering & Judi Rippee, w/Mary Ann George / Byron Doty, Jean Adams
 - a. Jesse presented many good ideas regarding the hiking path.
 - i. Build a small parking lot
 - ii. Install signage with information about each of the ‘loops’.
Time estimated to take the hike, intensity of the hike, etc.
 - iii. Have hike information at the State Park.
 - iv. Provide an education experience while taking the hike. Fun for kids and families.
 - b. Jesse will follow up with the DNR about some of the ideas he has for the hiking path.
8. DNR – Fishing (Aquatic focus) Jesse Chickering
 - a. Jesse will contact Dan O’Keefe, DNR Fisheries.
 - b. Jesse will contact / collaborate with Bill DJ regarding conversations with Rich O’Neil, DNR Fisheries.
9. Website Marty Hayden & Chris Olson
 - a. Chris will contact Bill DJ to find out how he can assist Marty with managing the website, etc.

10. Golden Township Board - (TBD after August elections)
 - a. Ed will speak with Mike J. and Don Tucker about how best to build relationships with Golden Township Board Trustees.
11. Golden Township Park Sean Henry
 - a. Sean reported that the paved 'U' shaped drive and parking is now completed. Harvey Berens is working on seeding areas affected by the construction.
12. Golden Township Temporary Rental Ordinance Ed DeJong
 - a. Ed will continue trying to contact Rob Draper and / or Michael Cook regarding the status of the ordinance.
13. Other Business: No other business to report.

Minutes submitted by: Ed DeJong