

Fox River Study Group

Minutes of the meeting on September 5, 2007 in Oswego, IL. The meeting was called to order about 9:10 AM.

Attendance:

Directors

Officers Present: P. Anderson, C. Skrukud, T. Muth, R. Trueblood

Officers Absent:

Other Directors Present: K. Anderson, S. Andras,

Other Directors Absent: S. McCracken, C. White, R. Linke

Advisers

A. Bartosova, R. Hummer, P. Moreau, J. Russell, J. Slowkowski, D. Doohaluk (Hey & Associates); D. Winstanley (ISWS); Tim Ehlinger (UW Milwaukee); Neil O'Reilly (Hey & Associates)

Topics:

Secretary's Report

Approval of minutes from August 8, 2007. Motion to approve the minutes by K. Anderson, second by Andras, approved.

Approval of minutes from August 23, 2007. Motion to approve the minutes by K. Anderson, second by Andras, approved.

Treasurer's Report

Muth reported that the balance on August 31, 2007 was \$35,101.76. He also noted that FRSG has an invoice from the auditor (in the amount of \$1600), motion to pay by Trueblood, second by K. Anderson, approved.

Chair's Report

Skrukud reviewed a fundraising potential summary she prepared. Based on reasonable estimates from past years for previous contributors, Skrukud estimated income of approximately \$151,050 per year. Estimates of other local new funding total \$85,000, for a total of \$236,050 per year. There was a brief discussion of other potential funding sources.

Report from Hey & Associates

O'Reilly reported on the low-flow monitoring project. Rainfall for 2007 was unusual; the storm events in August represent a storm that could be expected once a century. Historically the target low-flow conditions that FRSG is looking for are not unusual, but they will not happen this year. O'Reilly noted that the contract with FRSG officially expires and asked if FRSG wants to extend the contract beyond March 31, 2008. He expects the four partners (Hey & Associates, UW Milwaukee, the USGS, and McHenry Analytical) will all be willing to carry the work over into the summer of 2008. Bartosova reported that over the past 15 years the likelihood of meeting the

target low-flow conditions was 67%. FRSG asked O'Reilly to prepare a description of how to move forward; they will plan to have the first iteration for the FRSG meeting in October.

ISWS Report

Winstanley (Chief of the ISWS) reported on regional water supply planning. Beginning with the two priority areas (NE Illinois and the Mahomet Aquifer), the DNR is charged with developing a water supply management plan for the entire state.

Schedule of Next Meeting

The next regular FRSG meeting is scheduled for 9:00 AM on October 10, 2007, also in Oswego.

Adjourned

The meeting adjourned about 11:45 AM. Minutes prepared by P. Anderson