

Fox River Study Group

Minutes of the meeting on December 13, 2006 in Geneva, IL. The meeting was called to order about 9:35 AM.

Attendance:

Directors

Officers Present: P. Anderson, C. Skrukrud, C. White

Officers Absent: T. Muth,

Other Directors Present: S. Andras, R. Trueblood, R. Linke, K. Anderson, K. Rudensiuk

Other Directors Absent:

Guests

D. Doohaluk, R. Hummer, N. O'Reilly, B. Russell, P. Moreau, M. Kesey, J. Slowikowski, A. Bartosova, Yanqing Lian

Topics:

Approval of minutes from November 8, 2006

Motion to approve the minutes by Trueblood, second by Rudensiuk, approved.

Secretary Report

No report.

Treasurer's Report

On behalf of Muth, Moreau noted that the balance at the end of November was \$175,073.11.

Chair's Report

Skrukrud asked for feedback on the annual meeting; the FRSG agreed that an early November meeting seems to work well.

Skrukrud reported that the financial assistance agreement (FAA) with IEPA was being processed; some changes were made to reflect EPA dates for the project.

The FRSG will make a presentation at the Fox River Ecosystem Partnership meeting on January 17. That meeting will take place at the Fox Metro Water Reclamation District offices in Oswego.

Model Scenarios Subcommittee

This committee will report to FRSG at the January meeting.

Report from Hey and Associates

O'Reilly summarized 2006 activities and reviewed plans for 2007. All systems were set up for monitoring to begin on August 25th; due to rain monitoring was cancelled on August 26th. Nine sondes were installed and some monitoring continued during the approximately one-week storm event. Equipment will be re-installed in June of 2007; they will monitor river flows to select a sample time in July, August, or September.

Hey and Associates submitted an invoice to the FRSG for their efforts to date; the total amount of the invoice is \$107,611.88. Discussion followed about how to compare the time scale for payment and the time scale for deliverables. There was a motion by Rudensiuk, second by White to approve payment once Hey and Associates submit a revised invoice so that it is consistent with the RFP. Motion approved.

ISWS Part 2, Phase 2 Report

FRSG personnel had a copy of the draft report for about one week; many of the members were not able to review the document. Brief discussion followed; other members of FRSG will have their comments to ISWS by the January meeting.

ISWS also asked FRSG to review outlets for the model. Identification of these outlets determines the spatial resolution for the model.

Lian briefly described his work with ISWS on the Illinois River Decisions System, especially the watershed models.

Bartosova reported that delineation throughout the watershed is complete; ISWS should be able to begin initial runs of the complete model in early 2007.

Monitoring Project RFP Subcommittee Report

Skrukrud explained how the monitoring RFP was revised to reflect a need to contain costs.

Schedule of Next Meeting

The FRSG annual meeting will take place on January 10, 2007 at 9:00 A.M. in Oswego at the Fox Metro Water Reclamation District offices.

Adjourned

The adjourned about 11:30 AM. Minutes prepared by P. Anderson