

**Fox River Study Group Board of Directors
Meeting
Fox Metro Water Reclamation District
9 AM August 31, 2017**

Introductions –

Board Members Present: Gary Swick, Bob Trueblood, Mark Phipps, Rob Linke, Megan Andrews, Cindy Skrukrud, Tom Muth, Byron Richason

Guests: Al Keller, Matt Bardol, Maggie Soliz, Ken Krueger, Dan Langguth, Ed Coggin, Rishab Mahajan, John Wills, Andrea Podraza, Cyrus McMains, Tom Horak, Christa Vant Hul, Jeff Freeman, Tim Wilson, Deanna Doohaluk, Mike Ott, Candice Jacobs, Archana Kuchimanchi, Walter Voegel, Laura Marasciano, Carl Fischer, Stephen McCracken, Mike Walsh, Scott Trotter,

Gary Swick asked for anyone to attend a Friends of the Fox River opportunity called “VisionQuest”. Location – St. Charles Paddle Boat Date/Time: Saturday 9/23 from 6-8pm.

Minutes

May 25, 2017 minutes – Motion to pass Mark Phipps, Second Gary Swick...Motion Carried.

Treasurer’s Report – Tom

Financial Report – Motion to pass Gary Swick, Second Mark Phipps...Motion Carried.

2016 Audit – Tom

Motion made by Mark Phipps, Second by Megan Andrews to agree to a payment amount of \$5,100 to Porte Brown LLC for the audit. Motion carried.

Quick Updates

ISWS data project update – We have data from IEPA. Mike Machesky is retiring. We’re expecting Laura Keefer (will be taking Mike’s place. Expect some delays because of the change of staff. Discussion was had regarding the Database that was supposed to be ready by mid-July.

USGS Probe Update

USGS reported there have been no issues this year and they have “good data”. The data is available at Illinois.water.usgs.gov

IDNR Dam Removal Project

The Carpentersville Dam Removal project is still moving forward. IDNR has submitted a contract renewal to “Legal”, which eventually needs to go to the Governors’ office for approval. The North Aurora Dam Removal project contract has expired.

Army Corps Fox River Habitat & Connectivity Study Update

The Study is still in discussion with management. They “appear” agreeable to sharing costs. If the FRSG were to share costs, their portion would be approximately \$209,000.00 out of the \$597,000.00 total cost. The FRSG has yet to receive any kind of breakdown of cost from Army Corps and cannot make a commitment without this breakdown.

Discussion Items:

Qual2K Model Update Request for Proposals - Due October 18th Requests to be sent out after today’s meeting.

Permit Conditions for renewed NPDES permits – Al Keller

All “Majors” will be required to include .5 mg/L and .1 mg/L P in their Feasibility Studies. Much discussion was had regarding Monthly Averages vs. Annual Averages, Monthly and Daily Maximums. It was stated the USEPA will be “looking at Monthly Averages. 60 Permits are on hold based on comments from environmental groups. More discussion was had regarding MWRD’s settlement of a geometric mean of 0.5 mg/L P to be met by 2030.

Motion to adjourn Rob Linke, Second Bob Trueblood...Motion Carried.