

**Fox River Study Group
Board of Directors Meeting MINUTES
Fox Metro Water Reclamation District
9:30 AM September 29, 2016**

In attendance: Mark Phipps, Rob Linke, Kyla Jacobsen, Bob Trueblood, Cindy Skrukrud, John Frerich, Gary Swick, Tom Muth

Guests: Ken Krueger, Maggie Soliz, Leonard Dane, Jeff Freeman, Carl Fischer, Eric Weck, Scott Bell, Jack Russell, Tim Rubis, Bob Morris, Sai Archana Kuchimanchi, Karen Clementi

- Introductions
- Minutes
 - August 25, 2016 minutes - passed unanimously on a motion by Bob Trueblood, seconded by Mark Phipps.
- Treasurer's Report – Tom
 - Financial report - as of 8/31/16 the bank balance is \$244,173.04
 - Bills
 - \$5309 payment due to FRWRD for quarterly billing for USGS Algonquin Bike Bridge probe
 - \$1317 partial payment to DEI for algae monitoring
 - Motions passed unanimously to pay the above invoices on a motion by Rob Linke, seconded by Kyla Jacobsen
 - Bob Trueblood presented a draft MOU between FRSG and FRWRD stating that FRSG will reimburse FRWRD for payments made to USGS for Algonquin Bike Bridge probe. USGS could not do an agreement with the FRSG, so the FRWRD is acting as fiscal agent. Kyla Jacobsen made a motion to sign the MOU. The motion was seconded by Gary Swick. The motion passed unanimously.
- Discussion Items
 - Benthic algal investigations- John discussed the written report from Karen that was distributed. Got good data. All data will be uploaded to the Dropbox link that was sent by Karen.
 - Kane County Riverboat grants- Cindy
 - 2016 grant agreement - Since the last meeting the agreement was circulated to the board. This will fund the river sampling conducted and the work to get it integrated into the model. Motion to approve signing the agreement was made by Bob Trueblood, seconded by Kyla Jacobsen and passed unanimously.
 - 2015 grant - Money has not been spent, funds available through 2017. These funds have been earmarked for public education. We will plan our outreach after we meet with USEPA. Bob, Tom, Cindy, Mark and Gary have volunteered to talk about outreach strategies.
 - 2014 grant – This grant funded the completion of the FRIP. We will submit bills for reimbursement and send in final report.
 - Cindy reported that McHenry County Natural & Environmental Resources Committee passed a resolution on Sept. 28 endorsing the FRIP.

- FRSG Data
 - Submittal to IEPA by Oct. 15 - Two years worth of data needs to be submitted. Jan 2013 - Dec 2015. Cindy sent info on how the data needs to be prepared to Jack and Randy.
 - Tim said receipt of the fecal coliform data is very slow. Kyla will look into why.
 - Input into Fox River database and QUAL2K model – We discussed that the simplest would be to have ISWS update the database and model. Cindy will ask ISWS to give us a proposal.
- Presentation to USEPA- Cindy reached out to them, but has not heard from them. She will follow up.
- Annual Meeting Oct. 27- We discussed plans for the meeting.
 - AGENDA
 - Introductions
 - Program
 - Cindy to do short recap of FRSG 2016 efforts- 10 minutes
 - USGS continuous probe- Clint Bailey - needs 10-15 minutes
 - Low Flow Algae monitoring- Karen Clementi - 20-30 minutes
 - MS4 activities/reporting on P reductions- Mark Phipps (& Gary Swick) 20 minutes
 - Fox Metro plant upgrades-Tom Muth 20 minutes
 - Displays- AES, USGS, DEI, FOFR, Sierra Club
 - Refreshments - Tom and Cindy will bring donuts and donut holes. Byron will provide coffee. Cindy will bring cider.
- Reports on past & future presentations
 - Bob presented at the IWEA Nutrient Removal and Recovery Workshop on Sept. 7.
 - Cindy will present at the Water 2016 Conference on Oct. 26.
 - FRSG, DRSCW & Hickory Cr Watershed Planning Group are presenting at a session at the Chicago Wilderness Congress on Nov. 2.
- We had a discussion of the use of BPR vs BNR technologies at the wastewater treatment plants and the technologies that communities plan to use to reduce their phosphorus discharges.
- Next meeting
 - Annual Meeting October 27 at Batavia City Hall, and short regular meeting before to approve business
 - 9:30 am November 17 (no Gary or Kyla)
- Adjourned at 10:40 am