

# Minutes

Friends of Cherokee Marsh 2009 Board of Directors Meeting 17 JUNE 2009, WED,  
5:30-7:30pm

Lakeview Library Branch of Madison Public Library Madison, WI

Present: Jan Axelson, Jon Becker, Nan Cheney, Dave Clutter, Dana Erlandsen (present through Vision and strategic plan), Don Hammes, Ron Pegram, Aaron Stephenson, Dick Walker, Dorothy Wheeler

Absent: Steve Ackerman, Justin Sargent, Muriel Simms

Guest: Allison Werner (River Alliance of Wisconsin) (present through Vision and strategic plan)

## Comments from Members/Public

None

## Secretary's Report

### 1) Last month's board monthly meeting minutes

Dick moved to approve the minutes with the amendment proposed by Jan via email. Nan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### 2) Correspondence / Communications

None.

## Treasurer's Report

### 1) Last month's account summaries (final accounting for WDNR grant program activities)

All expenses in the program (DNR grant) account have been paid. The balance is \$5.58. The regular account's balance is \$1099.36. Nan moved to approve the treasurer's report. Jan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### 2) Review/approve reimbursements or forthcoming expenditures.

Northside News has billed us for \$25 for a second coupon, which appeared in the June/July issue. We didn't request the coupon but had some success with the first one. Jan moved to pay the invoice. Dick seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Aaron will advise the Northside News that this is our last coupon.

## Special

### 1) Vision and strategic plan - Allison Werner

Following discussion of the draft vision statements, David moved to offer two versions of the vision statement for comment by interviewees. One version will contain the words "Restored to the conditions and extents encountered during the original land survey" and the other version will omit these words. Jon seconded. The motion passed 7/1.

Allison will coordinate the volunteers for the interviews with local officials.

### 2) Finances and 501(c)(3) status: An introduction - Ron

Deferred.

## **Old Business**

### **1) June 12 WDNR Voyageur Canoe Paddle Outing: Report - Steve Limbach, Jon**

Covered via email.

### **3) Ad hoc 2009 Educational Events committee - Steve Ackerman**

Deferred (absent).

### **4) DNR 2008/09 Grant Activities - Jan (general), Jon (financials), Dick (in-kind labor)**

Jon is continuing work on the report with a goal of finishing in July.

### **5) Ad hoc 2009 Arts & Cultural Committee: Marsh Art exhibits, photo book; Friends photo group - Steve, Jon.**

Mario is working on the photo book.

### **6) Upcoming Events /Outreach / Tabling.**

- o JUN 17: YLLP Voyageur Canoe Outing in Cherokee Marsh (5:30-??) - Muriel
- o JUN 21-26 WWA Wetlands Conference (Cherokee Marsh outing on JUN 26) - Jan ?
- o JUN 27 Butterflies of Cherokee Marsh (SWBA; MAS)
- o AUG 14: WDNR/City Parks Division Outing (by invitation) - Jon, Justin, Jan

Jon is taking suggestions for participants in this outing.

- o SEP/OCT: board social event (pontoon outing possibly w/activities at Steve & Anne's place)
- o Northside Farmers Market

Jan will talk to the market managers about FOCM being a featured local group at the market in August.

## **New Business**

None.

## **Reports**

### **1) Vienna/DeForest Quarry & Highway V water release - Jan**

Covered via email.

### **2) Outreach**

- o CPI, CRANES, YLLP, YCMOU, CARPC, DCSGEC, WDNR, WWA, YES, etc. - Jon et al

Kay Rutledge is the new Development Manager for Madison Parks. Muriel and Jon will meet with her on Friday to talk about opportunities for land acquisitions for Cherokee Marsh Conservation Park.

- o Lake Levels - Jan, Jon

No news.

- o NPC - Muriel

Deferred (absent).

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Respectfully submitted by Jan Axelson