

Friends of the Maple River
Board Meeting
Minutes of October 13, 2010,
Foster's Pub, St. Johns

PRESENT:

Jon Morrison, President
Anita Ladouceur, Secretary
Dale Ladouceur, Treasurer
Gary Boersen, Monitoring Committee Chair
Joe Latoff
Jeff Wadell
Duane Platner

ABSENT:

Jack Nutter, Watershed Improvement Committee Chair
Ed Mikula, Vice President
Vacant, Education Committee Chair

The meeting was called to order at 6:20pm.

Current Account Balance and Finance Discussion:

- D. Ladouceur shared the accounting information (expenses, income, end of month balance) for the past year.
- There was an extensive discussion regarding insurance for FOTMR and specifically, the Board.
 - The officer insurance is \$600-\$700 per year.
 - We can not afford to pay the officer insurance any longer.
 - Friends of the Looking Glass River do not have insurance.

Preview of 2001 Event Calendar:

- River Clean-Up:
 - Nutter will have some proposed dates in April at the next regular meeting in December.
 - Per Wadell, Farm Bureau would participate in helping with the clean-up if we had a specific dump site in mind. There may be a possible site in Elsie.
- Float Trip:
 - In order to increase attendance, the trip will be held in late September on a Sunday.
 - It will be marketed as "the FOTMR Board floating the river and we are inviting the public to go with us".

Newspaper Insert Roll-Out

- We will hold off until the first day of Spring to publishing the newspaper insert.
- We will advertise the trail guide in the newspaper insert.

River Trail Guide:

- D. Ladouceur secured an advertiser on the page for the west end of the river.
- Wadell will talk to Farm Bureau about advertising.
- Morrison will see if D. Platner can obtain advertisers in the Ovid-Elsie area.

319 Grant & Other Grant Applications:

- Gary Fritz, Clinton County Conservation District was unable to attend the meeting.
- Morrison said the CCCD is working on getting additional grant money.
- FOTMR will help with any monitoring efforts.
- Wadell, Morrison, and Boersen will review the 319 plan and discuss with Fritz to choose a sub-watershed to start some public education.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

Please direct any and all modifications to the minutes to info@friendsofthemapleriver.org.