

West Fork Waterway Association, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 5/15/2021

Meeting called to order by President Chris Frasch at 9:02 AM. Attendance Rob Slotten, Roger Anderson, Jack Cook, Chris Frasch, Lynne Rice. Guests: Ruth Miller

Notification: Mailing was sent to all known members and interested parties on 4/22/2021 & posted at Clam Lake Junction, Community Center and posted on our Website.

Last Board Meeting Minutes were read by Rob.

Moved by Jack, 2nd by Chris to approve the minutes, Motion Carried (MC).

Finance Report, budget and membership status.

- Roger handed out Treasurers report. The balance on 4/30/21 is \$6241.38. We had 22 Members in 2020-21. Moved by Rob, 2nd by Jack to approve the report. MC.
- Discussed recruiting Waterway Property owners.

Roger handed out the Preliminary Budget for 2021-2022.

- Expected Revenue = \$1,445 Expected Expenses = \$731
- Final numbers and approval at Annual Membership meeting in June.

Moved by Rob to approve, 2nd Chris. MC

Old Business: Covid Recap – Did anyone use Waiver.

- Short discussion: Nobody specified a hardship, although a few did not pay. The board will not pursue it any further.

Report of 501(c)3 status

- Thrivent Financial Choice Dollars: We received \$202 through this program. Thanks Rob.
- Other donations: Chris Frasch donated the renewal cost of our Microsoft License for MS Office Roger uses. Thanks Chris.
- Roger files yearly report to DFI (WI Dept of Financial Institutions) at cost of \$10 which he puts on his Credit Card. He is donating that cost to the WFWA rather than issue a check for reimbursement.

Project report

Canoe landing - It has been tabled by the Ashland Co. It is not likely to see any action from the County in the near future.

Received e-mail from Ray Serna last year expressing issues about Canoe landing near his property. Rob followed-up with him via e-mail but received no response.

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Discussed Annual Membership Meeting for Saturday, June 19, 2021 @ 10:00 AM - Clam Lake Community Center. Suggestion was made for all board members to bring a thermos of Coffee or beverage and we will have cups available to share with any guests. That will save us having to make coffee and clean up afterwards.

ELECTIONS: [Section 3 - **ELECTIONS:** The Board of Directors shall nominate one or more members for each vacant position on the Board.]

Incumbents have agreed to remain on the ticket. There are no vacant positions, so no action is required.

Offices up for elections at the Annual Membership Meeting are:

- a. **Secretary** - Rob Slotten (Incumbent)
- b. **Second Director** – Lynne Rice (Incumbent)
- c. Nominations will also be taken from the floor. Nominees must be present.

Old Business

Discussion: The Town of Gordon has been slow to provide a report of our contributions and the paid expenses for dam maintenance. Roger did draft a letter to the town asking about the status and withheld payment until he received the reports last year.

New Business

- Chris brought up the question of participating in the Elk Fest 9/25/2021 by having an Information table. Discussion resulted in putting on the agenda for approval at the Annual meeting 6/19/2021
- Chris also suggested we look for a guest speaker for the annual Membership meeting next year to meet our education mandate and to encourage better attendance. He suggested someone who trains Raptors as a possible speaker. Discussion also lead to putting on the agenda for a vote.
- Ruth reminded the board that this year is the 10th anniversary of when we initially started the Save the Dam organizing which resulted in the forming of the W.F.W.A. the following year.

Motion to Adjourn at 10:13 AM by Rob, 2nd by Jack. MC

Next scheduled **Directors meeting** will be **May 21, 2022 at 9:00 AM** at Clam Lake Community Center.

Submitted: Rob Slotten, Secretary W.F.W.A.

... to preserve and protect the historic West Fork Waterway and wildlife area for recreation and public enjoyment of its scenic beauty today and in the future.