September 5, 2024 Meeting Minutes To be approved November 7, 2024



Advisory Committee

(appointed by Board of Directors)
Via Zoom Video Conference Call and In-Person
Fox Waterway Agency
45 S Pistakee Lake Rd
Fox Lake, IL 60020

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1.0 Call to Order

Chair Smarto

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM

2.0 Roll Call

Chair Smarto

Present: Pat Smarto, David Corrigan, Greg Urban, Mike Missak, Rob Bryson, John Fischer, and Rob

Rinkenberger

Staff Present: Rob Bowman

Others Present: Director Chris Stochl

Absent: Police, Pam Althoff, John McGuire, Tom Fernstrom, Al Golbach

Excused Anne Basten, Don Schnurr, Jason Hetterman

3.0 Review of Minutes and subsequent comment/corrections/approval

The Draft minutes of July 18, 2024 were provided to the members in advance for review or approval. A motion was made to approve the minutes of July 18, 2024.

Motion: John Fisher Second: Mike Missak

Motion carried

4.0 Reports

4.1 Rob Bowman gave an update on the last two FWA board meetings. July Meeting - The FWA is no longer considering rental of dredge equipment. Fishing Has No Boundaries request for assistance was approved. DAMYAK restrictions were approved for the new date of August 17. The September event was cancelled. A donation of \$300 was approved for Fleet 17. A request to increase the no wake area near the Village of Fox Lake Lakefront Park has been tabled pending final design for piers.

August Meeting – Dam, Snell and Taveirne submitted an audit management letter that was approved. Dredging projects in Nippersink Creek, Orchard Heights and the Lotus Channel are continuing.

Misc - Buoy removal will begin on October 1st. Met with Lake County to finalize plans for Wall Street, as well as for the DECO Grant buildings at L10 and Wall Street.

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4.2 Dave Corrigan has noticed a decrease in police presence on the river. Mike Missak reported that there were approximately 250 watercraft participated in the PWC Chain Gang event. Nielsen's is donating \$500 to the waterway. Rob Bryson reported an increase in algal blooms.

5.0 Volunteer Coordination

Update tabled to next meeting to allow for Anne Basten to provide information.

6.0 New Business

- 6.1 Discussion on assisting FWA with a social media policy. There was agreement that this will be a involved, time consuming project. Members to provide examples prior to next meeting for review.
- 6.2 Introduce Holly Garvey Holly joined the meeting as a member of the public. Holly will officially join the committee at the next meeting, once the by-laws have been updated.
- 6.3 Green Infrastruction Grant Information The Petite Lake Park project was discussed.

7.0 Adjournment – 8:05 p.m.

Motion: Mike Missak Second: John Fisher

Motion carried