

Feb 10, 2010

Friends of the Refuge Headwaters

Minutes

7:00 pm started meeting

Bev Spande, Judy Inman, Heath Hamilton (new Wildlife Refuge Specialist), Brian Pember, Richie Swanson, Mary Stefanski, Len Cross, Todd Paddock, Eric Nelson

- Jan minutes approved
- Bev acknowledged and thanked Richie's walk at Aghaming as a success and his bird club talk
- Bev noted the good topics at the Frozen River Film Festival.
- Bev noted the article about CapX power line crossing; the site mentioned was the preferred site. Mary spoke about the power line configuration on each pole and height of poles.
- No treasurer's report
- Graphic Images Invoice. Some discrepancy about whether or not it has been paid. Todd will ask John if he remembers paying or not.
- Brian spoke about Fishing Day; hot dogs, etc. for menu; help will arrive at 9:30am to 10am and will include Todd, Len, Judy, Harold. 11:30am 1<sup>st</sup> lunch; Noon is 2<sup>nd</sup> lunch; Len will purchase the food. 40 registered now. Expect 60 kids, plus parents, plus volunteers. Judy will bake cookies, Bev, and Mary too.
- Brian has taken in \$150 in partial funding of this event (\$100 from the Botcha Fishing Tourney organization). Ice Auger, fishing rigs, and buckets. Activity Stations will be: Fish ID, Coloring, Webster, Buckets.
- We revisited the idea of visiting the Isaac Walton League in Fountain City (meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed of each month). Other groups that might be good linkages include the Winona Boat House Association, the WSU Environmental Club.
- Eric will ask them if we can meet with them on March 10<sup>th</sup> at the Monarch Tavern
- Richie talked about the WSU Environmental Club tree planting event. Heath will help link the Wildlife Refuge with the WSU Env. Club. Todd will help email the City asking permission (informing) about the tree planting.
- Mary reported that a public meeting will be held Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 6pm City hall Council Chambers to discuss the Refuge managing Aghaming Park.
- The refuge will host a booth at Canoeopia in Madison, WI, March 12-14.
- Mary will be gone March 8-May 10 in D.C.
- Brian reported on the wings over Alma organization. They are interested Pool 4 or 5 clean up. We will contact Cathy Goodman re partnering with them
- Mary noted the Friends Fly-In to D.C. and a regional meeting in Mid-April and will get information from Cindy Samples.
- **March 10 was proposed as next meeting with the Isaac Walton League**
- Eric will send a letter to the editor about the Management of Aghaming Park

Meeting adjourned 8:10pm

Respectfully submitted,

Harold Ornes

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**Treasurer Todd Paddock submitted the following on Feb. 15, 2010:**

Dear Friends of the Refuge Headwaters:

The Treasurer was present at the Friends of the Refuge Headwaters meeting last Wednesday, 10 February. However, the Treasurer had been unable to access the FORH bank account and so did not provide a Treasurer's Report at that meeting.

The Treasurer was embarrassed, as he should have been.

The Treasurer wishes to make partial amends by providing that report to the FORH Board and Membership at this time:

FORH Checking Account at Home Federal Savings

- 2/1/10 \$300 withdrawal (check to U.S. Treasury for 501-C3 registration fee)
- 2/3/10 \$320 deposit (proceeds from FUMRR (501c3 reimbursement) & new memberships)
- Pending \$100 withdrawal (check to U.S. Treasury for increase in 501-C3 registration fee)
  
- 2/15/10 \$1239.10 total funds available in checking account, including pending transactions

Sincerely,

Todd Paddock

Treasurer, Friends of the Refuge Headwaters

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