

FYRH Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 16, 7:30 AM
DeForest Public Service Building's Conference Room

1. Jim called the meeting to order at 7:30 am.
2. Jim Simpson, John Ackley, Doug Porter, Gary Schutte and Joleen Stinson were present. Franco Milani was absent. Enough board members were present for a quorum and posting requirements were met, so this is an official board of directors meeting and items may be voted on. Jim left at 8:30 am.
3. Yahara Riverfest planning – Saturday 09-10-2016, UPDATE
 - a. gathering items from storage lockers - Doug
 - b. setting up (9:30 am) – Doug, Jim, John
 - c. running activities in park – Doug, Jim, John
 - d. fishing clinic (1-2 pm) – Gary and 2 Yahara Fishing Club members, Doug. Gary to buy bait at Club 51. Gary will also reach out to the Waunakee High School bass fishing club for additional volunteers.
 - e. clean-up – Doug, Jim, John
 - f. Jim will ask Barry and Franco to volunteer too.
4. Shirts and hats order
 - a. Jim took size and color details for new polos. There is a minimum of 6 needed to order. He will match the 2 tone hat from a previous order.
 - b. He will order the t-shirts for the River Clean-up separately. He's searching for 4 sponsors at \$100 each for the clean-up shirts. Gary will ask the Yahara Fishing Club if they're interested in one of the sponsor spots.
5. Treasurer's report – No official report because we're in the middle of a quarter. We received the \$20,000 grant funds from the Village of DeForest and a recent Thrivent donation of \$673. Jim will reach out to Franco to get him added to the bank account.
6. Secretary's report – Gary made a motion to approve the March 7, 2016, June 6, 2016 and July 19, 2016 board meeting minutes as presented. Doug seconded, motion passed unanimously.
7. Bollig Property Opportunities
 - a. We are meeting with Darren Marsh on Wednesday 08-17-2016 at 10:30 am. Gary and Doug will attend. Plan to discuss storage buildings and start brainstorming the long range plans for this property, including woody debris removal (Interstate to STH 19).
8. Lakes and Watershed Commission joint meeting – Doug cannot make the October suggested date but can make it in November. Joleen will confirm with Dane County for November 10.
9. River Clean-up – Saturday 10-08-2016. Task list was handed out and a few items were added/covered. Joleen will reach out to Jim to see what he is willing to take on.
10. Lakes of DeForest Meeting – John reported that there were over 30 people at the meeting. They will move forward on organizing a clean-up and from there continue to work towards forming some type of lake association. The Friends offered to lend waders, canoes and hand tools (but not chain saws for liability reasons) for the lake clean-up. John will share the date once it is selected.
11. Public Relations
 - a. David Cockrum contacted Jim asking for a tubing and kayaking forum for him to blog about. Blogs tend to get outdated fast, so we will suggest back that he post his notes on the miles paddled website or post on our facebook page. We will re-share posts on facebook so it gets more visibility.
12. Any Other Topics

- a. Gary is helping the Yahara Fishing Club with a fishing clinic partnered with Madison Parks. He would like to borrow 10 fishing rods. We're happy to share. Doug will get a storage shed key made for Gary.
 - b. Next meeting –We have no problem getting a quorum at our working meetings. Gary made a motion that working meetings become board meetings, regularly scheduled for the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 AM, with exceptions for the annual meeting in June and any special meetings that may be called. Doug seconded, motion passed unanimously. Doug will reach out to Franco and Jim and let them know if this decision. Our next meeting is Tuesday 09-20-2016 at 7:30 am.
13. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 am.
14. Updates that don't merit discussion:
- a. No update from Franco re: membership drive
 - b. Doug and Joleen met with Cardno to review streambank restoration plans, suggested a few changes before submitting DNR wetland permit.
 - c. Appreciation for Past Directors – Vicky was given her framed photo by Joleen; Jim has Sherri's framed photo; Joleen just approved the proof for Shaun's plaque at Ron's Engravables.