

Flute Reed Partnership (FRP) Annual Meeting

August 23, 2012 5:30pm - 8:00pm
Hovland Town Hall

Meeting called to order at 5:45pm.

Attending: 12 adults and one cute little girl

Everyone was welcomed. Pizza and refreshments served.

Treasurer's report by Virginia Hahn: \$1,327.17 in checking account.

Carolyn Schmidt, FRP board member, gave a review of the North Shore Forest Collaborative group. She has been attending their meetings as our representative.

Rick Schubert, FRP board member, announced that the Cook County Soil & Water Conservation District was successful in getting a grant to study the Otis Creek watershed. We thank and applaud their efforts to help improve the situation in our neighboring watershed.

Rick explained what happened with our tree planting this year and outlined how we hope to get to tree planting to complete our US Fish & Wildlife Service grant in 2013.

Our proposed bylaws change was passed unanimously:

Formally under Article III, Board of Directors:

D. Quorum. Two-thirds (2/3) of board members (rounding up fractions to the next whole number) shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the board.

Proposed change that passed:

D. Quorum. A majority (over 50%) of board members (rounding up fractions to the next whole number) shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the board.

Steve Dykstra decided not to run again for another term on the board. Thanks to Steve for his past service! Rick explained board member's responsibilities and asked for nominations. Amy Schmidt volunteered to be on the FRP board. Ballots were offered and everyone had a chance to vote.

Richard Olson who was running for another 3 year term was re-elected by voting before and during the meeting. Amy Schmidt was elected to a 3 year term during the meeting. We are happy to have both on our board.

Jesse Schomberg, Sea Grant, UMD, gave an excellent, informative talk on our North Shore forests and how they integrate with the river and how they are changing with the climate warming.

Dave Stark gave an update on our Great Lakes Restoration Initiative grant. The grant history was reviewed and the three projects areas were detailed and brought up to date. Construction work on some of the projects will be starting this fall.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Minutes submitted by Rick Schubert