

Portage Lake Watershed Forever

Council Meeting - August 28, 2014- Farr Center, Onekama

Present: Frank English, Kathy Ervin, Alice Hendricks, Jamie Meister, Mary Reed, Al Taylor, Jamie Meister

Absent: Dan Behring

Guest: Lee LaFleur

Agenda Item	Discussion	Decision/Recommendation/Action
CALL TO ORDER	Mary called the meeting to order at 7:00	
AGENDA	Proposed Agenda was approve.	Approved
MINUTES	Minutes approved as amended.	Added Herb Lenon to "Present" list.
FINANCIAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Financial - Treasurer Frank English provided current information about fund balances. 	Ervin moved, Taylor seconded; approved.
COMMITTEES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Education - In Dan's absence, Kathy reported that "Tuesdays With Water" appears to have been a success. An average of 30 people attended each of the six sessions. Presenters were diverse, well-prepared, knowledgeable. Kathy said that she and Dan would meet soon to determine if the series would be repeated in 2015. 	

	<p>■ Fundraiser - The PLWF annual fundraiser held at the Portage Point Inn raised \$10,250. Expenses were \$4,184.80 which include \$200 to Phil Joseph for his painting. (The painting brought \$1,000 at auction). Attendance was high (171); comments were heard that it was the best to date and that we should 'keep it on the water".</p>	
	<p>■ Lake Monitoring - Mary reported that the lake had been treated and several other areas of eurasian milfoil were found. Said that everything was slow because of the (cool) weather. She suggested that more of the streams should be sampled but that we might select 1 or two for monthly monitoring.</p>	
	<p>■ Crowd Hydrology - Mary pointed out that this project fits perfectly with a focus on streams. There are maps where the gauges are located.</p>	
	<p>■ Nominating Committee - Chair Frank English reported on the intent of present members of the board whose terms are up this year to run again: Alice Hendricks (yes); Tim Morley (no); Al Taylor (yes); Herb Lenon (no); Lynette Maxey (no); Kathy Ervin (no). Challenge will be to find others willing to serve. Discussion ensued about hiring people for the treasurer's position (\$200/mo) and to reconsider getting someone to handle day-to-day administrative duties.</p>	
	<p>■ Membership - Further discussion about finding someone to oversee membership activities, an ongoing topic. No names were suggested.</p>	
<i>Other</i>	<p>Lee LaFleur attended the meeting to describe how he would like to build a bandshell at the Village Park. Said that he would contribute \$10,000 toward it and planned to raise additional funds by sponsoring a concert at the Ramsdell featuring Claudi B ("Fabulous Fingers") and asked if the group would support his efforts. Individuals said that they would but the group was not willing to commit watershed funds.</p>	
ADJOURN	The meeting was adjourned at 8:30	
	Next Meeting: October 28, 2014	