

# Friends of Rock Bridge Memorial State Park

## Minutes

### Board Meeting - March 12, 2018 Location: Park Office Meeting Room

#### **Present**

Board members: Kevin Roberson, Jan Weaver, Sara Whiting, Lynne Hooper, Scott Schulte, Jim Gast, Sue Tillema

Ex Officio member: Sarah Jones

Quorum is present.

Call to order 6:01 PM

February 2018 minutes will be prepared and sent out by Jan at a later date.

#### **Reports**

##### **Park Report – Sarah Jones**

Events coming up: 1) Callaway pear event – 2 – 4 pm at Providence Medical park April 13; 2) Work day scheduled for maintenance on trail at Clark's hill on 17 March; 3) Cave trip (research and fire department) April 15; 4) frog survey (on ponds) March 19; 5) public informational meeting scheduled at Mills shelter 12:30 pm on April 14 after Rock Bridge Renew

Stewardship has been recent emphasis in State Park system, every state park must have plan for combating invasive species.

May be able to burn later this week.

Gearing up to hire seasonal workers.

Handy hosts coming in this summer to work (volunteer at office) and live at park.

Boardwalk still needs repair. Park has equipment and wood, but no labor. Park employees are going to start working on it, but are not qualified to do more complex board replacement.

Bench that FoRB purchased for 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary is currently on site. We need to decide on place to install. We will let Sarah decide on where to install the bench.

Sarah will research Maxine Gil's estate plans. Land in Gan's Creek area is in a life-estate to be willed to the park.

## **Reports**

### **Treasurer's Report**

Jim pointed out several typos in the treasurer's report.

Asset's are about \$6000. Lots of membership dues paid this year as a result of Jan asking for renewals.

Jim moves to approve treasurer's report. Approved unanimously.

Sue moves to approve the 990 EZ tax report for 2018. Approved unanimously.

## **Old Business**

### **Cabin floor**

Mike wanted to get to work soon on the floor. He could buy some materials and we could help with the construction. He has been playing phone tag with Jan.

### **McTurnan property**

Sewer for new neighborhood will be hooked up to city sewer system, but will be regulated by county water. This was what FoRB wanted. Name of neighborhood "Clear Creek Estates."

## **Resolutions for CFM**

Two of three passed: 1) supporting the 4 new state parks and the eastern segment of the rock island trail and 2) updating the DNR mission statement to include parks. The third one did not pass: 3) promote stewardship and communication between state/public agencies with respect to public and private lands.

## **Rezoning on Bennett Drive**

Allowing more houses with restrictions in areas surrounding the park.

## **New Business**

### **Stream monitoring blitz**

March 31<sup>st</sup> (Event is on Facebook). Not officially sponsored by FoRB due to insurance reasons.

### **Rock Bridge Renew**

Caring for Columbia will also be helping on this day. April 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **Officers**

Need to replace Secretary position since Sara is retiring from the board. Lynne has volunteered to serve as secretary. Approved unanimously.

## **Comments**

The next meeting of the board will be 09 April 2018 at 6:00 pm.