

Flute Reed Partnership - Meeting Minutes

November 3, 2008

Present: Chel Anderson, Dick Betz, Diane & Kenny Bjorkland, Rick Schubert & Al Taenzer

Meeting called to order at 4:05 pm

Minutes from September approved

Treasure's Report: Glenn is in California, but we think there is \$2,200-2,300 in our checking account.

Business:

1. New bridge erosion report: Rick talked to Shae Kosmalski about hiring a private contractor to do recommended work at the site and she Ok'ed. Rick met with Mack West at site and he roughly estimated \$2,000 or less to do the work. Add another \$1,000 for erosion blankets and native plants to revegetate site and we need \$3,000. Discussion ensued about funding possibilities.
2. We talked about and approved buying \$25 worth of wildflower seeds for around Lisa's store's patio where we installed erosion control blankets during one of our classes last summer. Rick will work with Chel on what varieties to order.
3. New SWAG grant is being applied for by FRP. It will consist of three objectives: 1) flow monitoring on the river, 2) water monitoring once a month at 5-6 different sites further up river to help narrow down the problem areas, 3) GIS mapping of the tributaries that are not on the watershed maps. Dick, and hopefully others, expressed a willingness to help with this work if the grant is awarded.
4. Tree release project was held on Oct. 18. Seven people helped trim and free naturally growing conifers on three different property sites along the river. Lunch was provided afterwards at Lisa's. Everyone thought it was worthwhile and we'll expand it next fall.
5. Temperature probes were pulled from the river in Sept. Temperature data will be made public and sent to the seven property owners where they were placed when available.
6. Discussion on membership dues and revision to Membership Policy was approved by consensus. Longer membership terms were made available at discounted rates. See revised Membership Policy.
7. Discussion of what trees to plant next spring. It was decided to order 100 white pine similar to what we planted this year and 1,000 white spruce. Dick is going to look into the possibility of ordering plugs with Hedstrom Lumber.
8. No meeting next month.

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 pm

Rick Schubert, FRP Coordinator