BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JULY 31, 2017

In Attendance:

Paul S., Mike C., Mandy P., Drew H., Kelley P., Andy N., Bill S., Dave D., Aaron G.

Absent:

Aaron M., Eric P., Bobby P.

Treasurers Report

- Approx. \$15,000
- Most of the trail systems haven't spent their money yet
- Put \$300 extra to Prairie Park because of the pass the hat donation
 - Nothing from the brewery yet; maybe Schnauffer has something
- Sunderbruch came in under budget for the bridge
- Scott Co probably has enough wood from what tore off from Sunder and funds for green treated wood

Miscellaneous

- Forc-N-Duro someone posted about it
 - o Think hold off until next year due to Fest
 - If someone wants to take charge go ahead
- Paul talked with Neipert- wants to get in touch with people running the BIX
 - Want to get a "Bike the Bix" prior to the race
 - Paul rode the entire thing prior to the race this year
 - Dave D. knows someone on the Bix Committee; he will bring it up
- RI County contacted Drew and want FORC as a key player going forward for all their park stuff
 - Will bring up in membership meeting and send out emails to see who interested
 - Meetings somewhere from August 21-28 (evenings)
 - Paul might be able to make something work; Drew can't make all days
 - Drew heard in grapevine that maybe doing trails at Loud Thunder in a few years
- Taming of the Slough
 - o Saturday, Sept 16th

FORC Fest

- Brought Dave Brown in to discuss
- Aaron G needs permit that goes to Scott Co; not sure who has...
 - Will try to go to conservation board and see if they can reproduce (AG is pretty sure someone had it at one time)
- Mandy has been organizing the food trucks
- Great River will have keg on Friday

- Kings has got Front St keg on Saturday
- Hyvee has confirmed coffee Sunday morning and Lions Club for breakfast
- Jake and Neipert are doing a kids ride at 10:00 on Saturday
- Presidents Ride will be at 11:00 on Saturday
- Carol's trying to work on a tribute for Rick
 - Carol had the idea of a shelter; been in touch with Moline Parks Dept to build a shelter at Sylvan. They are on board and suggested the pavilion be on the island versus the green space before
 - Its a polygon 20x20 structure that needs a cement flooring. Quote was just over \$12,000; estimate of \$4,000 for the floor. Carol wants stainless steel plaque as well.
 Total of \$18,000
 - Would be great to announce this and maybe Forc could create a separate account to track donations. Hoping maybe Forc could donate the initial \$1000 to start off the fundraising
 - Lori Wilson from Moline's Park Dept with Lori Turner (5th Ward Moline) called Carol to say Little Debbie (snack cakes) have this 50 state initiative to donate money for recreational trails, etc.; they have \$20,000 grant that they could write for us
 - Need to write something up for this about Sylvan and how revamping, etc.
 - Carol has copy of info only \$2,300 of expenses would be left over
 - If don't get the grant, will have to try GoFundMe or something to raise the money
 - Parks dept said we could put the shelter together this helps save money
 - Discussion on what if we don't get this grant...
 - Drew says we could probably obtain maybe 4 grants totally around \$15,000;
 then we would try to raise the remainder
 - Want to be sure we have language in place that if don't get grants be sure we can dissolve if don't raise the funds
 - Too premature to announce at FORC Fest; need to have grant in place first, and then announce
 - Just announce at the Fest that we are working on a lasting legacy to the founders of FORC. Working on it with the reopening of Sylvan Island... stay tuned

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm