



January 5, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes

Uptown Innovation Center 6:00 PM

Society for the Preservation and Use of Resources, Inc.

S.P.U.R. Board Members present: Lisa Butch, Mark Cox, Asa Duffee, Bill Engle, Alisha Estabrook, Shannon Hayes, Joe Hellrung, Ed Pollock, Gracie Rosson, Gerald South

Absent: Gunty Atkins, Stu Milligan, Nancy Pollock, Scott Zimmerman

1. December Minutes: Ed moved to approve, Bill seconded- All in favor.
2. Treasurer's report (Ed): Bill moved to approve, Shannon seconded- All in favor. We received \$2010 contributions and memberships in December. SPUR's new physical address is the new Cope Environmental Center's address: 1730 Airport Road, Centerville, IN 47330
3. RTP Grant Update (Joe): Joe reported that Beth Fields said they only had 2 bids for the environmental assessment and the DNR requires 3 bids. Beth Fields has been replaced with Van Temple as the director of the Richmond Department of Infrastructure and Development. Joe is going to talk to Van Temple after he starts next week.

Gerald wrote legal description for Bailey property. Mark drafted the required easement and gave it to Joe for the Baileys to sign.

4. Membership Mailing: Joe, Stu, Bill, & Shannon mailed just under 200 SPUR newsletter/solicitation letters on December 8th. 27 memberships came in as a result of the mailing. Shannon updated the website and posted all meeting minutes for the last year.

Thanks you notes: Shannon will order thank you cards this week. Joe will send them out as soon as possible.

5. Membership & Marketing (Gracie): Gracie will design membership cards and get them to Shannon to print and laminate.

Shannon ordered 200 water bottle stickers for \$48.75. She will donate them to SPUR when they arrive.

6. Fundraising: InConcert is looking for more sponsors. The InConcert banquet is on Tuesday. They will announce how much money each organization made this year.

Chipotle Fundraiser **Thursday, February 16, 5-8 PM** Joe will print the Chipotle postcards and give them to everyone at the next meeting.

7. Hayes Arboretum Non-Profit Membership/Cope Donation: We discussed getting non-profit memberships at the local environmental centers. A non-profit membership at

Hayes Arboretum costs \$120/year and gets our name on the display board outside of Walgreens. Hayes has allowed us to use their building rent free for the past 2 annual meetings. Mark motioned to purchase a membership, Gerald seconded- All in favor (Asa abstained). Gerald moved to donate \$100 to Cope Environmental Center, Asa seconded- all in favor. Gracie will speak with Alison about other ways SPUR can partner with Cope.

8. Water Quality/Aquifer Protection (Shannon): Shannon attended the Richmond Watershed/Wellhead Protection Local Planning Team Meeting at Indiana American Water on December 12th. The meeting was poorly attended, there were 2 representatives from the Wayne County Soil and Water Conservation District, one from the Indiana DEM, 2 from Wayne County Emergency Management, and Larry Wood from Indiana American Water. The Potential Contaminant Source Inventory for the Indiana properties within the Aquifer Protection District was reviewed and updated. Shannon expressed concern that the Speedway station across from the mall will be receiving No Further Action status from IDEM on the basis of an Environmental Covenant prohibiting the use of groundwater under the property though the site is located within Richmond Aquifer Protection District. The SPUR board agreed that Shannon should send the files to Mark to review legality of the Environmental Covenant in context of the local ordinance, contact IDEM, and contact the Environmental Sustainability Council before their Jan 18th meeting.

The Southeast Wood Treating facility on Industrial Parkway & S D St has completed all the groundwater sampling required by the legal actions taken by Citizens for Aquifer Protection in the mid-1990s. Attorney George Sowers says he believes additional sampling could be conducted if someone else paid for it, however Southeast Wood Treating has fulfilled their obligations.

9. Annual Meeting/Bill Frazier Award: Start thinking about who should be the 2017 award recipient.

**Next Meeting: Thursday, February 2, 2017 6:00 PM
at the Uptown Innovation Center, 814 East Main Street, Richmond, IN**