

**FRIENDS OF GRANT PARK MINUTES
MEETING HELD ONLINE VIA ZOOM
JUNE 11, 2020**

Attendees: Lynn Meidam, Jody Johnson, Betsy Abert, Brian Morrison, Jackie Benka, Patrick Hintz, Lynn Crawford, Debby Pizur, Jan Marsh, Debbie Wilhelm, Rick Kaiser, Pam Uhrig, Brooke Gilley

Security Report

Some goslings in the park were found dead.

Treasurer Report, Summary here. Full report included

Checking, reconciled.....	\$5,496.43
Savings.....	3,530.19
Park People.....	<u>\$12,491.10</u>
TOTAL.....	<u>21,967.72</u>

Suburban Soles

The June 14 Suburban Soles walk will continue with modifications for safety. No more than 15 members, masks required and provided if needed, stay 6 feet apart, no contact with any surfaces. Jamie Schiesel, the presenter from Mequon Nature Preserve, is on board with these modifications.

A vote was taken and a majority was in favor of going forward with the walks, with modifications, and providing donations or stipends as agreed upon earlier.

Weedout-Burdock

Two burdock removal sessions in Grant park in June.

Natural Resource Extension Service

Betsy Abert wrote a letter to the county on behalf of Grant Park in support of maintaining the natural extension service contracts.

Oak Creek Watershed Assessment, Chapter 4

Jan Marsh stated that Chapter 4 of the Oak Creek Watershed Assessment is on the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission website. The tough decisions about the dam have yet to be addressed. There will be a public meeting before a decision about the dam.

Update on Road Repair

A bid has been accepted by Poblocki for work on the beach road the first week of July. A reopening of the beach road celebration will be held with members of the community and of Friends of Grant Park present. Ferch's may provide refreshments.

Unfortunately, the road into Wil-o-Way will not be repaired this year.

Facebook and FoGP website

We should have a uniform, succinct statement on the parks's lack of funding and how it affects cleanup and other conditions in Grant Park.

Membership Brochures

The membership committee will decide where and when the 250 brochures will be dropped.

Steps to Bridge at Wil-o-Way

Betsy has been working with the company, RA Smith on these steps. Instead of using stone, the steps can be made of wood and gravel, similar to existing steps. This will reduce the cost.

Our next meeting will be held July 9th at 6:30 pm. The meeting may be held at the beer garden in Grant Park.

Respectfully submitted by

Lynn Crawford