

Friends of Hoyt Park
Minutes for Thursday: February 14, 2019 @6:45 PM
Sequoia Branch, Madison Public Library

Welcome & Introductions: Friends attendees included Tim Astfalk, Richard Adelman, Tim Kessenich, Andrew Wickizer and Vaughan James.

Public Comment: None

Meeting Minutes: Minutes for the meeting of January 10, 2019 were not available.

Treasurer's Report:

- **Financials:** End of 2018 cash balance was \$10,811. As of February 12, 2019 cash on hand was \$11,200.76.
- **Check approval:** none
- The Board reviewed and approved the proposed 2019 budget to be presented at the upcoming annual meeting.
- Report approved by voice vote.

Announcements:

- Newsletter completed and now available on-line.
- Ranger position has been posted by the city.

Old Business:

- **PayPal**-not operational yet but Vaughan J. continues to work on it. There was discussion about having a blank space for contributions vs being able to designate a specific fund such as Ranger or Endowment, which would be more complicated to set up. Also, we might only be able to get information on email addresses, not street addresses, to use for receipts of contributions.
- **Sledding Party**- Tomas G is organizing this. Apparently another group, a Jewish organization called Madison Hadessah, will be gathering at the shelter at 11am. Tomas spoke with them and there should not be a conflict since there are 2 fireplaces available and lots of room in the main shelter.
- **2019 Annual Meeting**- The annual meeting will be 6:45 PM on April 18 at Bethany Methodist church.
 - Board elections: one vacant seat (Vaughan J); need suggestions for new nominees
 - Presenter at the meeting will be Jen Stenglein.

- **March 14 board meeting-** will be at the Midtown Police Station public meeting room at 6:45PM.

New Business:

- **Draft Workday Schedule:** requested by city for posting
 - March-general clean-up and firebreak
 - April-Earth Day (April 22) trash pickup and garlic mustard pull
 - May-Invasive removal; garlic mustard, dames rocket and celandine poppy.
Possible planting of native plants.
 - June-trail maintenance
 - July-fireplace cleaning
 - August- brush removal
 - September-trail maintenance
 - October-prairie seed collection
 - November-seed planting and brush removal
- Discussion regarding ordering native plants vs seeds or both. \$200 budget. Will need to decide at March meeting

Next Meeting Date: March 14, 6:45P @ Midtown Police station