

# Friends of the Outlet, Inc. Meeting

Wednesday, September 25, 2019

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## Attendees

Gwen Chamberlain, Rachel Knapton, Phil Rahr, Kristin Burch, Susan Spence, Mickey Orr, Steve Stork, Deb Clancy, Dan Mackey, Thomas McGuigan

## Guests

None present

**Gwen Chamberlain called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM**

## Public Comment

### Maintenance Report (Presented by Mickey Orr)

Maintenance Meeting will be at Firehall next week

PY Lions club wrote a check for \$200 or use of the zero-turn mower (gas, oil, etc)

Will be discussing what needs to be done with machinery over the winter to see what needs to be done in the spring.

Phil asks about the maintenance building and if it will stay (Mickey says yes--doesn't make sense to tear it down)

*7:08 PM Thomas motions to accept the minutes from August, Steve S seconds it. The motion passes.*

### Finance Report (presented by Steve Stork)

Went over finance report from September (main bill is from Affordable Portable for about \$1,000)

Balances on accounts have stayed steady

Checking: \$16831

Money Market 55,963

CD Bank of Finger Lakes 20,790

Hansen funds 46,000

Susan has been working diligently on Quickbooks and will be meeting with Jim Carrey Soon

Gwen comments that annual insurance bill will be coming up in November

## **Membership Report**

## **Planning Committee**

### **Community Relations Report (presented by Phil Rahr)**

Birding event went well (weather was great) Dan M and Gwen both attended. Many members of the Eaton birding society attended. 35 volunteers from Keuka college volunteered and cleaned out the machine shed, painted, fixed up the area at Cascade.

Dinner was a huge success. Phil says that while he would love to take credit, it was really a group effort that the group did and the Outlet Trail was able to benefit from.

Rachel and Kristin ask if there's a way to thank attendees of the dinner, Phil will ask on Monday when he meets with the committee again.

Newsletter will be coming out soon (multiple board members will send Kristin photos to add)

### **President's Report (Presented by Gwen Chamberlain)**

Gwen commends Phil for his work with the committee that put on the Community Dinner on the Bridge.

Cascade buildings: Engineer at Arcadis email: Can we take down the Kelley building? (One contractor is the way to go, and they will take that one. Will pull together steps and costs. Actual costs will not be available until the process begins. Email reads as follows:

“Having one contractor demolish all 3 buildings would create synergies and be the most cost effective way for Friends of the Outlet to demolish Building C. We will pull together the steps and estimated costs to demolish Building C and the various concrete structures and circular concrete pad as part of our efforts and then have a call with you to discuss how to proceed. Please note that we will not be able to provide you with the actual cost for building demolition until further along in the process once building materials have been sampled (e.g., asbestos, lead, PCBs) and we have an actual subcontractor cost for abatement/demolition.

It would be helpful if you could please use the attached map to mark the various concrete structures and circular concrete pad you want removed, PDF the map, and email back to me-thanks.

Mike”

Cascade Buildings: I have contacted Arcadis to let them know we may be interested in hiring the contractor they hire for demolition of the JT Baker buildings to also demolish the Kelly Tire Building. I have also discussed this possible change in plans for 2018 Yates County funds with County Planner Dan Long.

Signs: Jeff Gifford's target for a memorial site with a sign in memory of Jerry and Linda Nissen has been set for next spring. In the meantime, we will begin working on the fourth sign which will go in the village of Penn Yan. Installation of the Mays Mills/Cascade sign is on hold until we make a decision about possible reconfiguration of the parking area at Ridge Road/Mays Mills.

Community Table Dinner: Thank you Phil Rahr for your work with the committee that planned this wonderful event, which drew a nice crowd that responded with rave reviews for the dinner. I will have a thank you letter available for all board members to sign at the meeting.

Long Term Planning and State partnership: Our meeting with Assemblyman Phil Palmesano went well. He told us the State Parks only take over maintenance of areas that border a state park, but he gave us contact information for the Finger Lakes Parks Regional Director, Fred Bond. I spoke with Mr. Bond this week. He and his grant writer would like to meet with us after mid-October. He's optimistic about being able to help us with grants.

Outlet Trail Book: I will be meeting with David Tillman at Tillman Press about reprinting the booklet with four color components. He doesn't do 4-color printing, but he has a vendor who can do it.

## **Board Comments**

Gwen asks if we can create signs about trapping and hunting (Dan Mackey volunteers to look up dates and come up with signs) Kristin will add to the newsletter as well.

Core drillings under the outlet. We have ended up with the things that have been bored out. Gwen recommends contacting the museum of the earth in ithaca. The board agrees it's a good idea.

Phil reminds the board that it is officially our 35th year as a FOTO Board. Yay!  
Susan shows the board about a "megaphone in the forest" (Article from the magazine Saving Land). Community relations will take a look at it.

*Rachel makes a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35. Steve Stork seconds it. Meeting adjourns at 7:35 PM.*