

## Minutes

### Brown County League of Women Voters

August 11, 2014

Present: Suzanne Gaudin, Julie Winn, Judy East, Janet Kramer, Pam Raider, Marge Cook, Cathy Rountree, Sue Cannavo, Mary Perez and her three guests (Robert, Russell and Sam), Shari Frank, Robyn Rosenberg Bowman Ruth Reichmann, Courtney Reynolds (prospective new member).

Minutes of July 14, 2014 meeting read and accepted as posted on line.

Treasurer reports \$12,167.07 (includes \$5,000 for consulting fees due to be paid to Jim Glass), have received PMP bill for \$700 not yet paid.

#### Current Business:

Courthouse Conversation - will be held this Thursday August 14 at 6:30. Following power point presentation by Jim Glass (consultant) will have small panel with commissioner John Kennard, Ivan from Historical Society and representative from historical landmarks. Straw poll survey will be available and will appear in next week's Democrat. Counting of results will be September 3<sup>rd</sup> and results presented to Commissioners at their September 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Fiscal Viability Study: Jan will send copies of missing papers. Budget hearings will be next all next week.

County Fair and Volunteer Fair: Ruth Reichmann was awarded a volunteer of year status which entailed \$500 to charity of her choice – she chose Dorothy Stewart scholarship fund. County Fair was successful.

Candidates Forums: Dates set for October 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Date for town candidates at Town Hall to be set 9 has since been set for October 8<sup>th</sup>). Candidates' questions to be decided in meeting immediately following this one.

Update on Fire District: Kurt Young has filed for clarification with appeals court and wants fire fighters on the board. Meanwhile Nashville fire department (Washington Township) wants to be a fire district with paid fighters would likely raise Washington township taxes. Since meeting there is petition can be downloaded being circulated on line.

Vision 2020 Update: Final draft will be presented at the next Partnership meeting end of this month (26<sup>th</sup>) followed later by power point presentation to community.

2015 State Convention: Dates established for April 17-19 2015. Will be meeting with Linda Shanks of Bloomington League and state board, sometime in September.

#### New Business:

Shari Frank will look into the possibility of getting an intern for our league – check with Calumet LWV who has done that.

Foundation has a \$50,000 grant available for not for profits – run out of ed fund which is 501c3. Ruth would like to submit a concept paper (deadline is August 29) investigating girl scout camp as a wellness

center – money for website and to bring in partners. If they like the concept, full proposal could be submitted.

Health Group: Fair survey produced 57 responses. They will be sponsoring a free clinic on 10/25/14.

Observer Corps: Pam reports on meetings she attended – full report will be in newsletter.

Clean Community: Susanne reports that Brown County clean committee will be applying for clean community status - previously the Town of Nashville was awarded.

Newsletter to come out after Community Conversation.

School board: Robyn reports they have hired assistant principal and athletic director at \$62,000 for the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade school. Seemed to be rammed through - are they administratively top heavy?

Website: Robyn reports up and running – You can access *Whos Where* on it and also our Health and Wellness Assessment guide done with Kelley School students.

Membership: List up to date with National – we now have 40 members.

Stellar Project: To be determined soon (have now found out Nashville was not granted Stellar) group of concerned citizens has continued meeting to talk about where to go from here.

Next Board meeting is September 8, 2014

Pam Raider

Secretary

League of Women Voters of Brown County