

Minutes

Brown County League of Women Voters

January 09, 2017

Present: Pam Raider, Julie Winn, Mary Perez, Judy East, Jeanne Lager, Shari Frank, Cathy Rountree, JoAnn Himebaugh, Tim Clark, Heather Nicholson, Marge Cook, Jan Swigert, Clint Studabaker and new member Tracy Yeager Stogsdill.

Minutes of December meeting approved as posted.

Treasurer report – Treasurer Jeanne Lager reports \$4,476.84 after paying state PMP of \$532.50. Total PMP costs our league \$45 per person yet our dues are only \$40 – brief discussion of raising dues.

Correspondence: Annual President's Day is February 18th 10:30 to 3:30 – We need to sign up by Feb. 13 – Julie to send around info.

Current Business:

Fiscal and Development Study: Will be circulated to membership in new form for comment before full membership meeting (no date set) to reach consensus and adopt position before doing community conversation. Since committee last met a Ball State study has been released showing performance indicators – this needs to be added to study – soon new county statistics available too. No school or town finances were covered.

State Education Study membership action and report due Feb. 14, 2017 – Appointment with Dr. Hammack set for January 9th at 1:15 pm to discuss questions relative to school testing her input will go to membership meeting. Basically there are six questions to be answered – these segments will be parceled out to various members to present at membership meeting: Cathy to cover who responsible, Judy covers frequency, Time allotment JoAnne, fairness – Jeanne and standards for teachers Jan. Membership meeting will be Wednesday January 25th at 7 pm, library – back up day Monday February 6th – board bring snacks.

Potential Community Conversations: Fiscal Study, Court House (commissioner request), Emergency Services (needs updating), furthering Wellness and Economic Development with both Redevelopment committees attending.

Updates:

Volksmarch for health sponsored by our League – event to be held on Sunday April 23 – 8 am to 4 pm. Suggestion made to include in Wildflower Foray brochure also held that weekend.

Emergency Services: Cathy to head with Clint - talk to Susanne on Emergency.

Watershed/ Airshed: Joanne reports according to Airshed study by US Thoracic Society our area (Louisville) rated in top 10 worse in country. More work to be done by that committee. Suggestion Bart Co Sierra Club has sub-committee working with Indiana Clean Lakes Project.

New Business: Discussion what's next for Development in BC. : Involved with septic issues now.

Newsletter and Website – End of this week to announce membership meeting.

2017 Who's Who: no further discussion.

Committees:

Emergency Services – committee Cathy and Clint

Water and Air sheds: Joanne, Clint, and Janet -

Health: Cathy reports continued work on new septic ordinance by board. Next meeting will be January 17 presumably to activate offer to the county.

Observers Corp – Heather interested in getting involved with observing certain boards and possibly town meetings.

Partnership: Only meet quarterly.

Legislators Event: Chris May and Eric Koch Robyn helpful – end of February beginning of March. Voters Services Chair Shari Frank resigns as head.

Meeting adjourned 11:50 am.

Next Board meeting is February 13, 2017, 10 am BC Library.

Pam Raider

Secretary

League of Women Voters of Brown County