

## **FRIENDS of MILITARY RIDGE TRAIL Annual Meeting**

Meeting Date: February 11, 2019

Meeting Location: Blue Mounds State Park Friends Shelter

Friends attending: Jerry Wilson, President; Dave Pearson, Vice President; Bill Kalscheur, Treasurer; Sarah Castello, Secretary; Kevin Swenson, DNR; Brad Bates, DNR; Dumont Schmidt

The Annual Meeting Minutes for February 12, 2018 were combined with the monthly meeting minutes which took place right after the meeting.

Bill created an annual financial report. This financial report shows a bank balance statement as of end of December 2018 of \$24,283.19. Sarah motioned and Dave seconded to accept the financial report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Dave motioned that we accept the following ballot as a unanimous ballot, Bill seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Those approved include:

President: Jerry Wilson

Vice-President: Dave Pearson

Secretary: Sarah Castello

Treasurer: Bill Kalscheur

### Projects for 2019

- Parking Lots: Projects Discussed / Planned / Scheduled
- April – Identify the Two Cement Slab Locations on East End of Trail (Kevin S. or Brad B., Bill K. and Jerry W.)
- May 1st – File Friends IRS-990 Electronically (Lydia H.)
- Possible Seasonal Use of Depot for Poetry Readings – Pending (Palmer H.)
- Schedule Dodgeville Library Readings at the Depot, Giving A Key to ???
- Put Together Depot Information Guide – Dot Points for Staffing Open Houses (All) – In Progress!
- Replace Depot Lighting With LED Bulbs: Low Hanging Lights Done, Others Later (Palmer H. and Dave P.)
- Sorting Depot Files (Bill K. and Jerry W.)
- Potential Programming “How the MRT Was Settled By Native Americans or Other Options” (Sarah C.)
- Model Train – Mock up a Track Lay-out, Table to be Built (Brad B.)
- Cross-Training a Trail Pass Coordinator (Bill K. & Dave P.)
- Install Riley Signage After it is Received and the Observation Deck Settles Back After Flooding, Bushing Area (All)
- Possible Fund Raising Project(s) for Bridge Repair or Replacement (Sarah C. and Linda M.)
- Volunteers for 2019 Depot Open Houses, 12:00-3:00pm First Sundays of the Month, June - September/October
- 2019 Calendar Development
- Small Repairs to the Riley Lil Library – Spring 2019 (Bill K. and Jerry W.)
- Depot Shelves for Melva Phillips Binders, Accessible to the Public – Contact: John McSherry, Ridgeway Advan.
- Install bike shop sign, and bike repair sign for Mt Horeb and Blue Mounds bike shops

### Completed Items in 2019

\* Motioned, Passed and Entered Into an Agreement to Partner With DNR to Cover Costs for Repairing the Commemorative Bench West of Mt. Horeb.

Dave motioned and Bill seconded that we adjourn the annual meeting at 6:45.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sarah Castello, Secretary