Fox River Navigational System Authority 1008 Augustine St Kaukauna, WI 54130 920-455-9174



## **Minutes-Executive Committee Meeting**

Tuesday, January 9, 2024, 8:00 AM (CDT) Location: 1008 Augustine Street, Kaukauna, WI 54130 https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/781018437

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**Members:** Jeff Feldt (Chair), Ron Van De Hey (Vice Chair), Tim Short (Treasurer), Jean Romback-Bartels (Secretary)

Attending: Jeff Feldt, Ron Van De Hey, Phil Ramlet, Beth Taubel

Attending Virtually: Tim Short, Jean Romback-Bartels

Start: 8:00am End: 8:35am

- 1. Review and approval of past meeting minutes
  - a. Discussion
    - i. Items carried over from previous meeting for follow-up and to verify completion of tasks:
      - a. Follow up on November 29, 2023, conference call with DNR personnel and Kleinschmidt
        - i. Velocity barrier discussion
          - 1. Update
            - a. Phil Ramlet did a cursory review of the updated contract
              - i. Velocity barrier is not part of the contract
              - ii. Will wait to see if sturgeon are going to be considered an endangered species
            - Phil Ramlet will reach out to Jason Kent with Kleinschmidt to have a proposal submitted that includes the velocity barrier information
              - Will present at January 23, 2024 Board of Directors meeting
      - b. Westwood Professional Services Proposal
        - Revised "Schedule A Scope of Work and Fee Proposal, 2023 FRNSA IOMP & EAP, Scope of Service (from October 2023 Executive Meeting)

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- 1. Review
  - a. Revised proposal as discussed at Board of Director's October 2023 meeting has not yet been requested as:
    - i. Terms are unclear
    - ii. Currently reads as though the hourly fee would be \$23.5K
    - Not specified as to how many hours are included in proposal for specific scope of work
    - iv. Should be "time and material" not to exceed
  - Phil Ramlet will ask Westwood to update the following as discussed at today's meeting:
    - i. Update the title from "2023 FRNSA IOMP & EAP" to "2024 FRNSA IOMP & EAP"
    - ii. Completion date updated from "by the end of 2023" to "September 2024"
- 2. Motion to accept
  - a. Route to Board of Directors for approval
    - Ron Van De Hey motions to approve sending to Board of Directors, seconded by Tim Short, all approve, Jean Romback-Bartels abstains
- 2. Tim Short motions to approve past meeting minutes, seconded by Ron Van De Hey, all approve
- 2. Executive Director
  - i. Fundraising
    - 1. Discuss
      - Phil Ramlet and Mary Schmidt (Schmidt Communicates) met with Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region (CFFVR)
        - i. CFFVR has agreed to supply FRNSA with names
        - ii. CFFVR will be the first line of contact
        - iii. CFFVR will recommend funds to donors
      - b. FRNSA has also received \$500.00 towards the matching funds Kayak Portage Grant
        - i. Unsure who funds are from at this time
  - ii. Mobile App
    - 1. Update

- Attorney, Andy Rossmeissl, with Herrling Clark Law Firm has started collection proceedings against OrgPix, Inc d/b/a LIVEALITY
- b. Certified letter was mailed to mobile app provider with a response deadline of December 31, 2023
  i. No response received
- c. FRNSA is asking for \$35K, plus attorney fees
- d. FRNSA advised attorney's to be aggressive in getting resolution
- iii. UWGB 2024 Testing Contract
  - 1. Discuss
    - a. Proposal is for \$17K for one year
    - b. Executive Committee feels this is fair
      - i. Will recommend at the January 23, 2024 Board of Director's meeting to accept
    - c. Menasha Electrical Barrier concerns
      - If round goby end up being found in Lake Winnebago, would Menasha Lock be opening "as is" or continue with electrical barrier
      - ii. If one round goby is found, there are more, spend the \$6M if FRNSA knows round goby are there

- 3. Adjournment:
  - a. Jeff Feldt motions to adjourn, seconded by Ron Van De Hey, all approve