

Birge Fountain Committee

September 19, 2012 Meeting Minutes (draft)

1. Call to order:

The meeting was called to order by president pro-tem, Dalee at 3:10 p.m.

2. Roll Call:

Members present: Dalee, Nass, Allen, Binnie, Nosek. Members absent: Loomer and Luckett.

3. Approval of Minutes:

It was moved by Binnie, seconded by Dalee, to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2012 meeting. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

4. Election of Officers:

It was moved by Dalee, seconded by Binnie to postpone the election of officers due to President Luckett's absence until the spring February 2013 meeting. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

5. Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Nosek reported that one of the 3 Birge Ftn. certificates of deposit (c.d.) was due to mature in February, 2013. Discussion again turned to the possible advantages of investing Birge Ftn. funds with the Whitewater Community Foundation (WCF). The Committee once again directed president Lukett to meet with the WCF to explore possible membership. The Committee also directed treasurer Nosek to contact the First Citizen's State Bank to advise them to not renew the c.d. maturing in 2013 until a decision could be reached by the Committee at its Feb. 2013 regarding seeking membership in the WCF.

6. Maintenance:

Nosek reported to the Committee regarding the deterioration of the Fountain's appearance since its major refurbishment in 2011. He reported that despite semi-annual waxings, oxidation was once again forming on the bronze portions of the Fountain and that calcium buildup, despite soft water treatments, was still a major disfiguring problem. The committee granted him permission to seek the services of a soda blaster to try to restore the Fountain's appearance.

7: Vandalism:

No major vandalism has occurred since the last meeting. Apparently, better surveillance cameras now give better resolution. Lowering the spears and tridents in the cherub's hands has finally eliminated vandalism to them.

8: Future Agenda Items:

- WCF membership
 - Fountain spring renewal and startup

Respectfully submitted,
Roy Nosek, treasurer