Kankakee Torrent Chapter

August, 2018

Roadhouse on Route 52

Minutes

**Call to order**

The meeting was called to order by Floyd Catchpole at 6:20 pm. Don & Espie Nelson, Mike and Carol Sather, Mike Rzepka and Mrs. Rzepka, Victoria Crosley, Marianne Hahn, Keith Nowakowski, Mark & Sally Wieclaw and Floyd Catchpole

**Minutes**

The minutes of the July meeting were read. Mike moved and Espie seconded and minutes were approved.

**Correspondence**

No correspondence

**Treasurer Report**

John Sullivan reported to Floyd the chapter has a balance of $5,005.13.

**Committee reports**

* Fall Symposium Committee
  + Trevor was absent, so Floyd agreed to call him for an update. He is Hoping to work with Olivet Nazarene

**Old Business**

* 2018 Annual Gathering
  + Invoice for t shirt printing received: $1,364.00 We have sold about half the order of 100 shirts for $851.00. Need to sell
* Laura Rericha and Hummingbird Festival at Goodenow Grove. https://www.reconnectwithnature.org/news-events/event-calendar/summer
  + In July members approved $250.00 to pay Laura. We found out fee is only $300. Floyd asked for motion for additional $50.00. Victoria so moved with Mike (?)seconding the motion. Motioned approved.Keith Nowakowski will work the table.
  + Field trip report: Powderhorn Marsh and Pullman with Midewin Alliance. At Powderhorn Floyd mentioned we saw a lot of great birds. Three young red tail hawks, ospreys among others. We also saw a lot of Asclepias tuberosa in bloom. At Pullman we enjoyed a guided tour by Arthur Pierson with a special tour of his own home.

**New Business**

* Kankakee Soil and Water Conservation District Native Plant Sale. We have been approached to contribute and assist in planning the sales. No date set as yet. Emilie Janes of KSWCD would like to meet with us as a group or a committee. Good chance to promote native plants in Kankakee/Iroquois County.

Ideas proposed by board via email conversations:

1. Recommend pre-orders
2. Create garden packages, Sand Savanna, Clay savanna, others?
3. K3T Chapter members assist in programming prior to event to build sales and interest for fee payable to chapter.
4. Have Possibility Place or other local producer involved early enough to custom grow plants
5. Help sort orders prior to pick up
6. Programming during the event
7. Other ideas

Members agreed that we will work with the KSWC District to put together a sale as so moved by Marianne, seconded by Victoria and approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Calendar

* July 22, Sunday, Fieldtrip with Midewin Alliance to Powderhorn Marsh and Prairie and Pullman Museum.
* Aug 6, Regular Meeting at Roadhouse 52 in Manhattan. 525 South State Street, Manhattan, Illinois.
* Aug. 26field trip to be determined
* September 23 Member Weekend Picnic at Mike and Carol’s and perhaps a hike to Limestone Park.
* October 1, Monday
* November 5, Monday, Regular meeting held
* December no meeting