

Friends of Maddax Woods

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: June 25, 2026

Time: 3:30 – 5:30

Call to Order: 3:37 pm

Administrative Business

1. Attending – Marla, Susan, Alma, Bonnie, Amanda
2. Agenda additions/deletions – approved as is
3. Minutes read and approved
4. Treasurer's Report – Officially moved the \$500.00 designated for a Plein d-air art session into the 'Area of Greatest Need'.

Committee Reports

1. Lady B Tugboat was vandalized: Discussed who was taking ownership (unknown) and discussed possible ideas or interest. Even with much care for the boat and hope it is not scrapped, we decided this is too big of a decision with too short of a timeline for us to do anything about.
2. Maddax Woods/Solve Work Party – Attendance: 11
Project Tracking List: Marla provided an update of work projects. Kevin secured a dumpster for summer work parties and at last Saturday's work party, we filled the dumpster.
Actions: 1) All the tools in both sheds marked for FOMW with tape.
2) Cleaned up the raised beds; Peonies died and need replacing.
Motion made and passed to replace peonies. Bonnie and Sue will look at replacing with a more shade tolerant plant.
3) "Dorothy's Garden" sign taken by Alma to be repaired.
3. Heron Watch – See summary of Heron Watch. 33+ attendance. 2 more ~~pair~~ pairs of binoculars donated to FOMW.
~~Congratulation~~ Congratulations given to Peg and Marla for all their hard work in 2026 for another year of Heron Watch!
Motion made to advocate for signage on goat island to help keep people off the beach during breeding season.
Marla has drawn out a preliminary request and floated the possibly working with local organizations to get the word out to the public. Include river keepers, owners of property, Audubon, Fish and Wildlife, kayak groups, people who rent boats, local marinas and anyone else to educate people that there are fines for trespassing during breeding season.

Fundraiser/Grants

1. National Wildlife Day: September 4-6, 2026. Decided to put off celebration at Maddax woods until next year. Maybe applying for the Community Grant in 2027/28 for signage.

Outreach

1. Monthly e-news updates and attachments – Letter to FOMW: June 16, Happy Birthday Dorothy who would be 112 yrs old, and Thanks to Friends. Addressed to “The Woodsers”. Marla said “The Woodsers are out!”... future kids club slogan for Maddox Woods?

Old Business

1. Liability Insurance update: Marla Report: Old Bolton Firehouse Station Inventory – Marla completed an inventory. Asked the city if instead of liability can we just sign a paper we _____ won't _____ hold you them accountable?
2. Venmo – Amanda looked into getting Business PayPal so we can get a Venmo for fundraising. Looks like a non profit, the fee is 1.5% of money received with a \$0.10 _____ transaction _____ fee. Everyone agreed that was within our voted upon budget and sounded _____ good. She will _____ proceed from here.

Suggested Items for Next Agenda

Bench in the shade in the observation area.

Future Meetings/Events

1. Maddax Woods/Solve Work Party: July 18
2. FOMW Board Meeting: July 23

Adjourned: 5:13 pm